PARIS, TUESDAY, JANUARY 6, 1987

#### LATE NEWS Dow Index Sets 2 Records

The New York Stock Exchange's main barometer soared a record 44.01 points Monday to close at 1,971.32, a new high, and boosted hopes that the index might soon top

The gain in the Dow Jones industrial average was fueled by a strong bond market and the lifting of tax-related incentives

The previous high of 1,955.57 was set Dec. 2, while the previous single-day gain of 43.41 points came on Nov. 3, 1982. The Dow has risen 75 points, or 5 percent, in the first two trading days of the year. Page 8.

DISIDE TODAY



House Speaker Jim Wright said President Reagan's 1988 budget, with \$1 trillion in spending, will be cut "very tantially." Page 3.

GENERAL NEWS

Four militiamen with the South Lebanon Army were killed by a land mine. Page 6. East Germany denied a charge by Helmut Kohl that it holds political prisoners in conentration camps.

USINESS/FINANCE

Iraq has adopted a fixed-price stem for most of its crude oil intracts that is in line with the PEC system. Pressure is mounting on the

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to win a berth in the 1'.'s American Conference fiagainst Cleveland. Page 15.

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Inducements

To U.S. Firms

By Bill Keller

MOSCOW - A Soviet trade of-

New York Times Service

ficial said Monday that the Soviet

se American companies to enter ato joint business ventures with

The official, Yuri A. Kislenko.

said the joint ventures would be given "several" years of tax-free

operation, complete independence

from central Soviet economic plan-

ning and the freedom to experi-

ment with Western labor manage-

Mr. Kislenko, who represents

thre Soviet Ministry of Foreign

Trade on a top-level government conmittee responsible for working

out terms of the new ventures, said

that Soviet-American partnerships

may be allowed to compete with government-run industrial enter-

prises) for customers both in the

His remarks, in an interview at

the Foreign Trade Ministry, were

the most detailed official state-

ments to tate of how the Soviet

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Soviet Union and abroad.

Union would offer unprece perating independence and tax eaks as inducements to encour-

Soviet industries.

## 2 Soviets **Meet With** Najibullah

Visit to Kabul By Shevardnadze Was Unexpected

By William J. Eaton
Los Angeles Times Service

MOSCOW — Foreign Minister duard A. Shevardnadze of the Soviet Union and another senior offi-cial flew to Kabul on Monday for talks with the Afghan leader, Major General Najibullah, following his offer of a cease-fire in the sevenyear war with Moslem rebels.

Tass, the official press agency, reported the unscheduled visit but gave no explanation for the visit by Mr. Shevardnadze and Anatoli F. Dobrynin, a secretary of the Com-

But their arrival in Kabul, where they were welcomed by General Najibuliah at the airport and held talks with him later, seemed to underscore Kremlin backing for the Afghan leader's proposal for a six-month cease-fire with the guerril-

It was the highest-level delega-tion from Moscow to visit Kabul in recent years. The Soviet Union has an estimated 115,000 troops in Af-

Western diplomats said they were taken by surprise by the announcement of the Shevardnadze-Dobrynia mission and had no definite information on its purpose.

"But it appears to cap a Soviet-Afghan peace offensive which has been going on for a couple of who asked not to be identified.

Western-backed opponents of the Kabul regime have rejected the proposed cease-fire despite General Najibullah's concession that he would negotiate with leaders of guerrilla groups based outside Af-ghanistan. bullah might be trying to mute la-lamic criticism of the Soviet mili-

General Najibullah, who is general secretary of Afghanistan's Communist Party, also proposed a "government of national unity" as part of his plan to end the fighting.

Western diplomats in Moscow. however, said he gave only slight attention to the presence of Soviet forces in Afghanistan, regarded by the rebels as the major obstacle to a



ern observer said, sounded like similar proposals made in East European countries after World War II; the coalitions proved to be vehi-

In the past, the Soviet Union has denounced the leaders of Moslem guerrillas as little more than bandits who do the dirty work for Western imperialists, especially the

But Moscow has welcomed General Najibullah's plan for talks with the rebel commanders and Tass has carried endorsements of the plan from other Communist capitals.

The Soviet Union claimed it withdrew six regiments of troops from Afghanistan in October. U.S. officials, however, have said the troops were replaced by others, so there was no actual reduction of Soviet forces in the country.

Tass said Mr. Shevardnadze and Mr. Dobrynin were on a "working visit" at the request of the ruling party and the Afghan governmen It gave no indication how long they would remain in Kabul.

General Najibullah made his cease-fire announcement two weeks before the start of a meeting of the Organization of Islamic Countries in Kuwait. A Western diplomat said that General Naji-

Western analysts generally said, however, that the moves seemed seared to the new round of Geneva talks sponsored by the United Nations that are to open Feb. 11.

Fighting in Afghanistan usually tapers off during the winter months, but rebel leaders have said they hope to start an offensive Jan. General Najibullah's reference eral Najibullah's cease-fire proposto a coalition government, a West- al.

### Reagan's Surgery Successful No Cancer Seen In First Tests of

By Cristine Russell Washington Past Service
WASHINGTON — President

Prostate Tissue

Ronald Reagan underwent pros-tate surgery at Bethesda Naval Hospital on Monday, and his doctor said afterward that preliminary results showed "no suspicion of

Dr. John Hutton described the operation as "very routine" in a statement released by the White House. "The procedure went very smoothly," he said. "There was nothing out of the ordinary."

Mr. Reagan's surgery followed a procedure Sunday to check for a recurrence of the cancer removed from his colon in July 1985. Doc-tors using a flexible fiber-optic tube examined the entire length of the president's colon, and found and removed four small growths. The chief White House spokes-

man, Larry Speakes, said Monday that laboratory tests of the polyps

Tuesday. Also on Tuesday, Mr. Reagan, 75, is to complete a series of routine followup tests for cancer by undergoing X-ray scans of his abdomen and pelvis.

Although the polyps removed from the president's colon were benign, doctors said a recurrence of cancer was more likely to be found elsewhere, such as in the liver, lungs or lymph nodes in the abdomen

The prostate operation Monday, conducted by surgeons from the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, was performed to relieve an enlargement of the prostate gland that has caused the president mild, recurring discomfort in urination. The surgeons flew to Washington at the request of the president's

that the surgery lasted about an hour. He said a spinal anesthetic had numbed sensation in the president's lower body, but that Mr.

Mr. Speakes said the 25th See REAGAN, Page 2



Beijing University students burning copies Monday of the Beijing Ribao to protest reporting on their demonstrations.

# Students Burn Beijing Paper to **Protest Criticism**

By Daniel Southerland

Washington Post Service
BELING -- Student prote burned hundreds of copies of Beijing's leading Communist Party newspaper on Monday to protest what they called distorted coverage of their demonstrations and de-

More than 300 students at Beij-More than 300 students at Beijing University focused on the one newspaper that has angered them the most, the Beijing Ribao, a paper controlled by the Propaganda Department of the Beijing Municipal Communist Party Committee.

Students gathered in circles records of the Beijing Municipal Communist Party Committee.

around burning copies of the Beijing Ribao in a bulletin board area on the university campus where posters have been pasted up. Other students threw copies of the paper out of their dormitory windows.

A small poster urged the newspa-per to send some of its writers to the campus for an open debate. Throughout four weeks of prodemocracy demonstrations, university students in Beijing and in

several other cities have criticized the party-controlled press. One of their key demands has been for a free press, by which many of them m to mean full and fair coverage

One of the students who had

onto a bonfire said the paper un-fairly portrayed student demonstrators as enemies of the Commu-

The Beijing Ribao increased the ideological pressure on the students by urging them in a frontpage editorial on Monday to draw a line between themselves and the country's "class enemies." It called the students "naive" and said their

The paper said that the students insisted on holding their demonstration despite warnings from a city spokesman that "hostile ele-ments" were planning to take advantage of the demonstration to cause "chaos" in Beijing and other

"We can't find a hint of adhering to Marxism in this," the editorial

It said that using Communist alogans to attack communism was a "double-faced tactic" which had been used before.

Such strident editorial criticisms of the students are believed to be coming mostly from conservative happy with the idea of making any major changes in the country's po-litical system.

Some analysts say they believe that Xn Weicheng, the director of the Beijing Ribao, is such a conser-vative, but few Chinese or foreign observers seem to know enough about his background to say this

And some Western diplomats say they believe that Deng Xiso-ping, the Chinese leader, finds it useful at this point to let the conservatives give their views on the

Statements from the conservatives put pressure on the students to stop demonstrating, one diplomat said. They show the students that there is a danger of a conserva-tive backlash against them.

Mr. Deng may have no great problem with the conservatives' statements now, because he proba-bly agrees with much of what they say about the need for stability and unity, the diplomat said.

Some Beijing University stu-dents said Monday that they do not strations at this point, because it will play into the hands of Mr. Deng's conservative opponents.

Many of the students say that they support Mr. Deng's economic program but want more rapid change, particularly in the political

Mr. Deng and the country's highest-level officials, such as the Communist Party leader, I'm Yao-

bang and Prime Minister Zhao Ziyang, who are leading reformists, have not spoken out since the student demonstrations erupted four

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#### Collapse of Peace Talks Is Predicted As Manila, Rebels Stay 'Poles Apart' By Keith Richburg would likely mean a full resump-

MANILA - The suphoria following last month's signing of the first truce in the 18-year Communist insurgency in the Philippines has given way to a new mood of frustration and pessimism, as peace talks aimed at ending the guerrilla war have bogged down.

The government of Presiden Corazon C. Aquino and Commu nist rebels are stymicd over exactly what the two sides should be dising. And a rebel spokesman said Sunday that prospects for a any time in the past."

The collapse of the peace talks -

that both sides want to avoid. But without some visible progress over such seemingly intractable issues as power-sharing, neither side could find much political value in continuing the fragile truce when it expires early next month.

Antonio Zumei, representative of the National Democratic Front, which is negotiating for the Com-munists, said Sunday that the two sides remained "poles apart." "A consensus is developing in

fire should only be extended if we have obtained substantial progress in our talks."

Much the same view was voice last week by the armed forces chief of staff, General Fidel V. Ramos who said in a year-end briefing that extension of the truce would likely depend on progress in the substan-

tive phase of the talks. But so far, the two sides cannot even agree on the scope of their

"We find a wide divergence of approach between our two sides as to the achievement of a negotiated political settlement," Mr. Zumel said. "As much as we have tried to



cannot find a basic common

Mr. Zumel's comments marked the far left's most pessimistic appraisal to date about the prospects for the outcome of the talks, which both sides predicted would be far more difficult than the earlier, suc-

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# A small poster seen at Beijing

#### Spies and Defections in the Turret U.K. Government, Press at Odds Over Secret Briefings

By Francis X. Clines New York Times Service LONDON - Parliament was fi-

nally told recently about one of the where official secrets are as rampant as the spies that seem to reguarly broker them: "There is a room in the turret of Westminster which does not exist in which are held meetings that do not take place." The revelation in mock-hushed tones from a member in the House of Commons concerned journal-

ism, not espionage.
The nonmeetings in the turret occur every working day at 4 P.M., when the reporters who cover the government and House of Commons hear from Bernard Ingham, least two estates.

the prime minister's press secre-tary, and his aides. They answer estions on various current issues with the stipulation that none of what they say can be attributed to the Downing Street office of the prime minister in news reports.

The system gives him deniability, and what greater gift could a civil servant receive?" asks James Naughtie, the correspondent of The Guardian, who has made himself something of a pariah lately by directly attributing self-serving disclosures to government officials who speak at the briefings.

This decision of The Guardian to break with an important tradition of British journalism has rolled at

The "lobby," or association, of 130 news reporters who still take part in the sessions debated and narrowly defeated a change in their rule of nonattribution. For his part, Mr. Ingham threatened to quit the sessions if they voted the change, and he is reliably reported to be mocking the controversy as an exercise in righteousness in a situa-tion in which the reporters need

him more than he needs them.
"The British people don't recognize the right to know"—that's for the birds, that's for the media," one Downing Street official said in response to an American's question. Britain is full of commonsensica people, but they don't live on Fleet treet," said the official, insisting that the public prefers the current oblique advantage its government enjoys in selectively leaking information to reporters.

The controversy hardly ended with the reporters' recent 67-55 vote to keep the nonattribution rule binding on members who choose to join. Mr. Nanghtie has more than one source, and while not attending the meetings he has nevertheless found out what goes on from colleagues who do and he has then reported some of this.

"The rats inside talk to the rats outside," a British person held in respect by Mr. Ingham's office declared the other day in describing how Mr. Naughtie is still able to get information on the lobby brickings.

Mr. Ingham, a crafty and devoted defender of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, responded to Mr. Nanghie's latest breach of the lobby's shield by pronouncing the daily meetings as not "secure" and by being more wary at them, according to various participants. At the heart of the problem are a number of needs, including that of

Mr. Ingham, an alumnus of The Guardian, to shape favorable press See LOBBY, Page 2



15 Dead, 175 Hurt in U.S. Rail Wreck

Rescue workers searching Monday for victims of a rail accident an Amtrak train derailed Sunday when it collided with a freight near Baltimore that killed at least 15 persons and injured 175, engine, killing the Amtrak engineer. It was Amtrak's worst including 78 seriously. At least 24 trains had to be canceled after accident since the passenger system began operating in 1971.

# The Race for the White House: With No Front-Runners, All Bets Are Off

By Paul Taylor

Washington Post Service
WASHINGTON — When Paul Weyrich, a conservative activist, appears be-fore Republican groups around the country, he often asks people whom they are supporting for president in 1988. "I get two responses," Mr. Weyrich said. "Either they're uncommitted, or they're both major parties' national conventions apologetic about the candidate they are

fund-raiser, runs into the same sort of thing. "At this stage four years ago, I'd say 85 percent of the inside players — the money people and the activists — had signed up with some presidential camp.
This year, it's maybe 10 percent."

In an age when presidential campaigns have been lasting longer and longer, this one seems poised to buck the trend. Several loosely connected circumstances have slowed the insider activity and probably will delay the start of the

going to run, the disinclination of the front-runners to force the pace, the abuncertainty over the issues of the post-Reagan political debate.

Meantime, nearly half the delegates to will be selected from Feb. 8 to March 8. This drastic compression in the calendar Peter Kelly, a longtime Democratic of 1988 primaries and caucuses raises the prospect that campaigns that start late could well end early.

> "1988 is going to be short and intense," said Thomas Donilon, a veteran Demo-cratic presidential strategist who is working for the undeclared presidential cam-paign of Senator Joseph R. Biden Jr., a Delaware Democrat. "The American people are going to have a tremendous amount to absorb in a short period of

into it, in February 1988.

sence of an obvious choice in either party, bets-are-off posture right up to the mothe contiming uncertainty about who is ment when the voters first get their books race is going to be short, if public attenup at the moment: tion is going to be divided between two front-runners to force the pace, the abSorption with the Iran arms affair and the

Who does that kind of pacing help? fights, and if the calendar is going to sorption with the Iran arms affair and the

One Democratic pollster, Peter Hart, is

demand the ability to wage a 19-state war

> '1988 is going to be short and intense. The American people are going to have a tremendous amount to absorb in a short period of time.'

> > - Thomas Donilon, campaign aide to Senator Joseph Biden

advising all bettors to "stay away from on a single day (March 8, 1988) - that anybody in double digits right now." His will be good for the candidates who start analysis is that, given the uncertain politiin the best position. cal terrain, the front-runners will not be able to nail anything down early, and that things almost never work out the way

Even the experts are not sure - and season in which the campaign engages the What this means is that this presidenable to nail anything down early, and that things almost never work out the way public's attention. They include the abital race is likely to stay in a fluid, allist the good of today's dark horses.

For now, the two big questions in the Democratic field are: Will Governor Mario M. Cuomo of New York get in? And, will Senator Gary Hart of Colorado, : who came so close in 1984, prove to be a passing fancy?

Since amassing 65 percent of the vote in winning a second term as governor, Mr. Cuomo has not behaved much like a 1988 presidential candidate. He has quarreled, and subsequently made up, with the New York news media, and he has declined an invitation to give the main speech at the annual Democratic dinner in New Hampshire in March.

However, Mr. Cuomo has enough of a financial base, from the more than \$3 million left over from his gubernatorial campaign and from the ample assets any sitting governor of New York can tap, to afford a late entry. If he gets in, he is the one candidate with a chance to pick up the endorsement of organized labor. "I'm not thinking about" running for

"I'm not planning for it; I'm not planning to plan for it." But he refused to close the door all the way. By the end of this month — when his manguration, state of the state speech and budget address are be-hind him — "maybe I will let my mind wander on to other things," he said. Meantime, Mr. Cuomo has scheduled

some "nonpolitical" out-of-state speeches this winter and spring. He also is con-templating a foreign trade mission to Asia and Europe, which would begin to plug a gaping hole in his presidential resume—lack of foreign affairs experiexice and of travel. As for Mr. Hart, he has had a fruitful

post-November recruiting season. He just signed on Paul Tuliy, a veteran of the Walter F. Mondale and Edward M. Kennedy campaigns, as his national political director; Charles Manatt, the former Democratic Party chairman, will be the co-chairman of his exploratory com-Mr. Manatt will try to wipe out Mr. See CAMPAIGN, Page 3

# U.S. Supporters of Shift in Taiwan Weigh Beijing's Reactions

WASHINGTON — Congressional supporters of democratic development in Taiwan face a quandary over how to continue encouraging the political mod-emization process without hampering Washington's relations with Beijing.

relations with Beijing.

With the emergence of the Democratic Progressive Party in elections last month, U.S. supporters of Taiwan's deposition movement will have to balance these concerns carefully if they are to avoid provoking a potentially hostile response from China, according to congressional sources and independent analysis.

The Reijing and Taipei governments both maintain that Taiwan's part of China and have both sought to reunify them—each on their own terms—since the Knomingany or Nationalist Party, fled to the island in 1949.

The new party, formed several months ago in defiance of martial law regulations, has called for self-determination for Taiwan's 19 million residents, even if this eventually leads to demands for a declaration of independence.

In elections held Dec. 6, the Democratic Progres-

sives gained 23 of 157 contested seats in the Legislative nedy of Massachusetts and Representatives Stephen J. Yuan and the National Assembly, Taiwan's highest legislative organs. This established the party as the first organized opposition group in the Kuomintang's advancement of human rights.

In fundamentally altering the nature of politics in Taiwan, the election results have challenged many U.S. lawmakers, in particular leading liberals in the Senate and House of Representatives, to reconcile

their support for democratic principles with the issue of Washington-Beijing relations.

"Most congressmen have tended to sidestep this aspect of the Taiwan question," said a senior Senate with "Nonethern will form the side." aide. "Now they will face a very delicate balancing act for many years to come."

Among both Democrats and Republicans on Capitol Hill, there is widespread support for the U.S. position on the China question, which includes an acknowledgment of the mainland's insistence that there is one China, with Beijing its capital. But many legislators also have backed Taiwanese political groups that are strongly influenced by activists seek-ing independence for Taiwan.

These legislators include Senator Edward M. Ken-

advancement of human rights.

Ironically, they now find themselves agreeing on the issue of self-determination with conservative remnants of the Taiwan lobby, which long campaigned for U.S support for the Nationalists to return to power on the mainland.

Most immediately, attention is now focused on the role of Senator Claiborne Pell, Democrat of Rhode Island, who has been the most ardent supporter of the Knomintang's political opponents. He will be the new chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Mr. Pell is not expected to alter his fundamental

position on the Taiwan issue, according to Senate staff members. But like many other members of Congress, he is expected to draw increasing distinctions between his support for the island's advance toward democracy and demands for independence.

Few analysts expect the dilemma facing Congress to spill over into the formulation of U.S. policy, at least not in the near term. But analysts are concerned that political developments in Taiwan have made China more sensitive to the posture adopted by many legisla-

"China is reluctant to bring this issue to a head," said Selig Harrison, a senior associate at the Carnegic Endowment for International Peace, a research institution. "But if Congress pushes things the wrong way, it could become a serious problem."

Chinese diplomats have indicated recently that the Tarwan issue could begin to slow the progress of U.S.-China relations within the next several years, according to Mr. Harrison.

Although Washington severed formal ties with Taipei when it recognized the Beijing government in 1979, it has maintained extensive unofficial contacts with Taiwan, U.S. arms sales to Taiwan last year were valued at about \$700 million.

Taiwan will affect congressional support for the Formosan Association for Public Affairs, the Taiwan opposition's chief lobbying group in the United

The association, which includes many pro-independence activists, has gained in influence over the past several years, according to congressional sources.

French ports over a strike by sea-

men belonging to the union after it

signed an agreement on a govern-ment reorganization of the mer-

chant fleet. It remained unclear to

what extent workers were honoring the agreement, but reports indicat

ed a return to work in Marseille.

agreement on payment for days lost through the strike.

A union spokesman also said that members of the union in about

30 post offices, sorting offices or

telecommunications centers around the country had begun a

strike Monday and that members

in about 100 more had voted to join

wages, working conditions and

In the rail strike, the state-owned

the protest Toesday.

promotion, he said

pected to run.

The strikers demands

The Confederation of Labor said

# WORLD BRIEFS

India May Spurn Soviet Aircraft Offer of NEW DELHI (Reuters) — The Soviet Union has offered India and Indi

airborne warning and control systems planes to counter the proposed der, supply of U.S. surveillence planes to Pakistan but New Delhi may turn 1800 them down, an Indian news agency said Monday.

The United News of India said the Indian Air Force was not in favor of ha

the Soviet IL-76 aircraft fitted with the systems because it was not as

sophisticated as the U.S. version, the news agency said.

Reports of increased supplies of U.S.-made arms, including surveil.

lance planes, to Pakistan have raised tensions between India and Pakistan stan. The two countries have fought three wars since gaining indeperdence from Britain in 1947.

#### It remains unclear how the new political equation in Muharak Said to Reject U.S. Debt Plan



Mubarak said Monday that he is not satisfied with a U.S. plan to ease the burden of Egypt's \$4.5 billion military debt to the United

The U.S. proposal would let Egypt refinance loans at an interest rate of 7.4 percent, a sharp reduction from the original rates of 11 percent to 13 percent charged in the 1970s. Under the plan, pay-ment would be due in 2009. But some Egyptian economists have said the debt will be equally difficult to repay then. Government sources said that Mr. Mubarak had basically" rejected the U.S. pro-

All U.S. military aid to Egypt since 1984 has been as grants. The United States replaced the Soviet Union in the early 1970s as Egypt's main military supplier, but in the early years of the relationship most aid was in the form of sales. Egypt's debt totals about \$36 billion.

Hosni Muberak

Chad Reportedly Downs Libyan MiG

NDJAMEMA, Chad (AFF) — Chadian forces shot down a Libyan
MiG fighter plane Monday over Fada in northeastern Chad, according to
a government communique quoted by Chad Radio.

The statement also reported "blind bombing of the civilian population" at Zouar, southwest of Tibesti, by Libyan planes. Chad said Sunday
that Libyan planes had bombed towns south of the 16th parallel, which
has been defended by French troops to keep Libyan-backed rebels out of
the southern half of the country. the southern half of the country.

Earlier, Chadian government sources said Libya had massed combat sircraft in southern Libya and northern Chad in preparation for further raids on Chadian government positions.

#### Soviet Studies 'Divided Spouses' Cases

MOSCOW (NYT) - The government is reconsidering several previonally rejected emigration requests from Soviet citizens married to Americans, two of the Americans say.

The two, Keith B. Braun and Andrea M. Wine, said they were told by a Soviet Foreign Ministry official on Sunday that their cases were under "intensive review." According to U.S. diplomats, there are at least 20 such unresolved "divided spouses" cases.

Mr. Braun's wife, Svetlana, and Ms. Wine's insband, Viktor Fayer mark, repeatedly have been refused permission to emigrate. The Braun's were married in Angust 1984, and Ms. Wine and Mr. Fayermark, November 1985. system reported an increasing drift back to work, with half of the 600 scheduled long-distance trains ex-

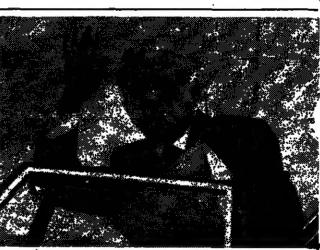
# French Judge Escapes Attempt on Listparks (Reuters) — The French judge in charge of cases involving to guerrilla group Direct Action escaped an attempt on his life Morthe evening when a primed grenade was found near his spertment, poles

They said the grenade tied to a nylon string was found on the laging-leading to the spartment of Judge Jean-Louis Brugnière by a policheir making a regular check. The grenade trap could have been set dum-

someone entering the apartment, the sources said, adding that the port was not home when it was found. Renault chairman, Georges Besse, in November in Paris.

#### For the Record

President Hafez al-Assad of Syria met Monday in Damascos von Libya's deputy leader, Abdel Salam Jalloud, Syrian officials said. (AF of The European consortion Arianespace said it had signed a contract in launch the Italian telecommunications satellite Italian on an Arianerocket from its space center in French Guiana in mid-1990. (Reuters)



Donald T. Regan, the White House chief of staff, signal that all is well as he leaves Bethesda Naval Hospita

#### REAGAN: Surgery Is Successfull

ing complete information on the affair. At the same time they were outraged to discover, in The Guardian and The Independent, (Continued from Page 1) Amendment to the U.S. Constituthat an aide to Mr. Ingham, speak-ing from the presumed safety of the day's tower briefing, discussed the affair there but mainly to offer tion was not invoked to temporarily transfer power to Vice President George Bush, as was done just be-fore the president's surgery in 1985.

blindly sourced attacks on the opstid, condemning the practice even flexible tube, called a resectoscope, as it informed readers that its reporters had best remain in the lob- the urethral canal, which passes by, hope for reform and obey the through the prostate on its way to

to cut away pieces of the enlarged prostate. Usually, the instrument has an electric current to help in the The surgery Monday did not involve an incision to reach the prostate a sland located at the base of Mr. Zumel said he and another rebel representative met with Mr. of Britain's secretive style of government," The Economist later ejaculatory fluid. Instead a small, present.

Cancer occurs in about 10 percent of cases, but is usually a slowgrowing malignancy that poses no danger to a person of Mr. Reagan's

prostate gland through the tube

and insert an instrument through it

A spokeswoman said Mrs. Reagan had spoken with her husband's physicians, and they had told her that the president "had been telling jokes, a lot of urological jokes" dur-Western and Soviet officials said management role in Soviet indusing the surgery. The spokeswoman three American companies had try, are potentially among the most said Mr. Reagan did not relate any Mr. Reagan was taking no medi-

cation immediately after the operation and was not expected to take anything stronger than a mild pain. killer, the spokesman said.

Prostate problems are common in older men, and Monday was the second time the operation, known as trans-prethral resection, had been performed on Mr. Reagan.

Mr. Speakes quoted Dr. Oliver fire destroyed about 750 acres (300 H. Beahrs, the Mayo Clinic physician who supervised the surgical team, as saying that Mr. Reagan's "general condition is excellent."

# **Kohl Charge Stirs Debate** In Campaign

BONN — An allegation by the West German chancellor, Heimut Kohl, that East Germany is hold-ing political ing political prisoners in concentra-tion camps drew domestic charges of a Nazi smear and an official rebuff from East Berlin on Mon-

Mr. Kohl made the claim at a rally of his Christian Democratic Union in Dortmund on Sunday night in a speech starting the final phase of his campaign for the Jan. 25 general elections. Polls indicate that Mr. Kohl will win a solid maiority in the election.

"We must never forget," Mr. Kohl said, "that the political re-gime is holding 2,000 of our fellow countrymen over there in East Germany as political prisoners in pris-

ons and concentration camps The liberal Free Democratic Party, which with the Christian Social Union of Bavaria constitute the other two members of the govern-ing coalition, urged Mr. Kohl to withdraw the reference to concen-

tration camps We have no reason to stay silent when human rights are violated in East Germany, but comparisons with the Nazi era are not appropriate," the Free Democrats' parliamentary leader, Uwe Rouneburger,

told the newspaper Bild.

The opposition Social Democrats and Greens parties said Mr.

Kohl's remark was designed to win votes from rightists by setting East Germany's Communist leaders on a level with Nazis. They said the remark would strain ties with East

Berlin and Moscow. "A West German chancellor should never forget that gas ovens CHINA: burned in many concentration camps," said the Social Democrats'

campaign manager, Peter Glotz East Germany's Foreign Ministry denied Mr. Kohl's claim, saying the country had "no concentration camps in which one could hold political prisoners" and that the only West Germans in its prisons had

been convicted of espionage. East Germany lodged a formal protest in Bonn two months ago after previous attacks by Mr. Kohl on East Germany's human rights record, including the jailing of East Germans for trying to flee to the

Moscow has also virtually frozen high-level contacts since Mr. Kohl compared the Soviet leader, Mikhail S. Gorbachev, with the Nazi propaganda chief, Joseph Goebbels, in an interview with Newsweek in October.

The Social Democrats have interpreted Mr. Kohl's remarks as evidence of a rightward drift in policy toward Eastern Europe.
The purported swing has also

caused strains in the coalition itself, with the Free Democrats challenging demands by the Christian Social Union for an end to the policies of detente pursued by various governments since the 1970s. Central Committee directive call-ing for the demotion or dismissal of

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#### Also on Monday, the U.S. ambassador to South Africa, Edward J. Perkins, toured several black townships and met community leaders but avoided

JOHANNESBURG - The wife of a black

education official died in a hand grenade attack as

political violence claimed three more lives in South Africa's black townships, the government said

government-backed representatives. The Bureau for Information said that Sylvia Ntshangase, 29, was killed and her husband, a achool inspector in the Zuhu tribal homeland of KwaZulu, was injured when a grenade was thrown into their bedroom in Umlazi township near Dur-

ban on Sunday night. A 7-year-old black girl was shot to death by mistake when a member of the security forces

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even political reforms despite the

One such sign, a diplomat said,

dified party cadres on a na-

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tionwide scale, something that ap-

parently has already happened on a selective, local basis.

socialism is superior to capitalism.

The article written by Bao Tong, the senior official in Mr. Zhao's

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ernment's view, are wrongly at-

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Another sign, a diplomat said, is an article appearing in the People's Daily, the leading Communist Par-ty newspaper, which argues that

for their safety."

3 More Blacks Are Killed in South Africa exchanged gunfire with blacks in Sebokeng, south of Johannesburg, on Sunday, the bureau said. The bureau also reported that an unidentified

black man was burned alive on Saturday in Soweto, outside Johannesburg, Scores of blacks have been murdered over the past three years of racial strife, many of them accused of collaborating with the white authorities.

Mr. Perkins, the first black ambassador sent by the United States to South Africa, spent several hours in Vosloorus, about 35 miles (55 kilometers) southeast of Johannesburg, and other black town-

In Vosloorus he met representatives of the local chamber of commerce and youth movements and toured a school but did not talk to members of the local council, which, like others throughout the country, is accused by many blacks of collaborat-ing with white officials.

### Chirac Refuses to Yield In French Rail Strike

PARIS — Prime Minister Jacques Chirac, faced with a damaging rail strike and threats of wider unrest in the public sector rejected. rest in the public sector, rejected pay concessions Monday endangering his conservative govern-

ment's anti-inflation policy. Mr. Chirac, issuing his first pub-lic statement Monday on the 19day strike by train engineers that has crippled the French rail net-work, said:

"It is not the intention of the government to take risks through a loss of control over wages that would start in this or that public and La Rochelle in the west and sector company and then spread to Fos in the south, had voted to pur-the whole of the public sector and sue the strike until they reached an

the private sector." President François Mitterrand, in comments that surprised some political observers, said Monday. Social unity depends on the light against inflation

Mr. Mitterrand had been viewed

as sympathizing with workers' de-mands, particularly after he re-ceived strikers at his country residence on New Year's Day. Mr. Chirac's comments followed a call by the Communist-led Gen-eral Confederation of Labor for

industrial action throughout the public sector. The Communist-led union and another, the Democratic Confederation of Labor, began strikes Mon-

day in the Paris transit systems. Disruption of traffic was not serious, but other workers were expected to join the protest Tuesday. Unions at state-owned gas and

electricity utilities also are to strike

Unions disputed the railroad authority's figures and said that workers at the vast majority of France's 94 depots had voted to

negotiations between rail manage-ment and the unious over pay and

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issue that brought on the latest con-

troversial use of attribution by The

Guardian and by The Independent,

a new journal that boycotts the

briefings. There has been a running

controversy in which the Thatcher

government is trying to prevent the

publication in Australia of mem-

our about the inside workings of MI5, the British intelligence agen-

Opposition critics in Parliament

have been frustrated that the prin-

ciple of official secrecy is regularly invoked as a reason for not obtain-

Government secrecy itself is the

cated at least generally.

Most important, too, is the re-

continue the stoppage.

There were no plans for fresh

working conditions.

#### French dock workers, almost all Bonn Rejected Sale of Planes to Iran LOBBY:

By John Tagliabue

New York Times Service University on Monday said that Mr. Deng, Mr. Hu, and Mr. Zhao had not appeared in the news for aerospace company Messer- to Iran. some time and that this worried

Ambassador Edward J. Perkins talking to a woman in the Katlehong squatter camp

some of the students. A student at Beijing Teachers University said that among stu-dents there who had participated in demonstrations "there's an overapproved at least until the Iranwhelming fear for their futures and raq war ended. Sepp Hort, chief government's agenda. A Chinese intellectual who writes theoretical articles and considers himself a "liberal" when it

was encouraged" by the governcomes to ideological matters, said ment "to go to Tehran." he feared that a crackdown was Mr. Hort told the Bild am Souncoming in the fields of ideology and tag newspaper that talks with Iranian German arms export laws and com-an officials about the sale went on travening the 1977 United Nations But Western diplomats said for 18 months. He denied that the there were signs appearing in the Chinese press that indicated that aircraft, built jointly by West German and French companies, were Mr. Deng and his colleagues are pressing ahead with economic and

designed for military use.
The Economics Ministry spokesman, Volker Franzen, said compa-ny officials enquired "at a low levabout the possibility of

The disclosure, a drop of a recent effort by Bonn to BONN - The West German widen ties with Tehran, drew ungovernment said Monday that it usual attention because of the con-rejected a request last year by the troversy over covert U.S. arms sales

schmitt-Bölkow-Biohm GmbH to It also focused sharp attention sell \$1 billion worth of transport on a growing debate over Bonn's recraft to Tehran.

A spokesman for the Economics sue has played little role in the Ministry said the company had campaign for national elections been told that the deal could not be Jan. 25, a review of the policy is expected to be high on the next

executive of the company, said in a The debate was fueled recently newspaper interview published by the disclosure that a govern-The debate was fueled recently over the weekend that the company ment-owned shippard in northern West Germany had delivered blue-prints for a diesel-driven submarine to South Africa, violating West

arms embargo against Pretoria. This week a Bundestag commit tee will begin investigating the de-livery of the blueprints by the Kiel-based Howaldtswerke-Deutsche

Werft AG shipyard. West Germany allows arms sales ocuvering the aircraft, 12 Transall
C-130 transport planes that he described as "noncivilian."

Organization but limits them outside NATO and all but bans them to developing countries. within the North Atlantic Treaty

to potential war zones.

Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher has been among the staunchest proponents of maintaining these rigid limits, but strong pressure has come from politicians and arms-industry officials who believe increased weapons shipments could be used to arrest the country's declining trade surplus.

porter's warmess that competitors not be seen to be getting one jot more of "inside" information, how-ever obvious or inane it might be. In Washington, there is no com-parable daily practice of high gov-ernment briefings in which govern-ment officials are able to leave no The major figure in this group, and the apparent initiator of the bineprint sale to South Africa, is Franz Josef Strauss, the conservative premier of Bavaria.

Mr. Strauss' state is the strong-

hold of the West German arms industry, including military contractors such as Messerschmitt- sis involved but usually if a govern-Bolkow-Blohm. In a newspaper interview last month, Mr. Strauss said that at the

request of the South African ambassador in Bonn he sought and obtained "a positive reply" from Mr. Kohl for the delivery of the

submarine blueprints.
Wolfgang Schäuble, Mr. Kohl's chief of staff, said, that "a positive reply" meant simply that "we would have to take a look at it and

# TRUCE: Manila, Rebels Remain 'Poles Apart' on Talks

cessful negotiations that achieved the present 60-day cease-fire.

His remarks came after a weekend of escalating rhetoric from both sides. The government called a key rebel demand for power-sharing "unjust, unfounded and illogical" and the rebels labeled the government counterproposals inadequate, piecemeal and pallia-

Since the talks began last month, following the enactment of the cease-fire on Dec. 10, most observers have been speculating as to when — not whether — the talks would break down entirely.

Communist leaders, government officials, diplomatic observers and other analysts have all voiced a shared skepticism that peace talks could ever achieve a negotiated peace. The rebels have stated pubicly that they have no intention of laying down their arms and their agenda for discussions consists of



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dismantling American military
bases and sharing power with the
Aquino government — two points

Mr. Solarz, chairman of the
House subcommittee on Asian and
Aquino government — two points

Pacific Affairs, met with reporters Mr. Solarz, chairman of the Mrs. Aquino has rejected already. The rebels also are demanding

that the government bring "key in-dustries and businesses" under Filipino ownership, repudiate "unjust" foreign loans, and release leader of the Communist Party of the Philippines. The rebels say he is a key member of their negotiating panel and thus immune from ar-

The government team responded by proposing that the talks, scheduled to resume Tuesday, be limited to just two issues: land reform and industrialization. The remaining issues, the government said, should only be discussed within the framework of the draft constitution that is scheduled for a public vote Feb.

If approved, the constitution essentially would preclude most of the rebeis' demands. But rebels already have criticized that charter as "anti-people and pro-imperialist," and military sources said they have information that rebel guerrilla units are intimidating people in some provinces to vote against the ■ Zumel, U.S. Official Meet

Mr. Zumel said Monday he held

"very cordial" talks with Represen-

tative Stephen J. Solarz. Democrat

of New York, The Associated Press

reported from Manila.

for two hours.

lively, and it was very frank." SOVIET: Tax Breaks Will Be Offered to U.S. Firms

Monday before leaving for the United States after a two-week tour of the Far East but did not mention the meeting with Mr. Zumel. A U.S. Embassy official confirmed that the meeting took place on Sun-Mr. Zumel said he and another

Some of his views were in opposition to ours," Mr. Zumel said. "It turned out to be very cordial, very

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government expects such ventures The Soviet government is to publish a new law this month that will, for the first time, authorize foreign companies to hold equity in Soviet industrial facilities, and will spell out how the companies will be Mr. Kislenko said the new law

would be broadly worded and that other details, such as labor-management relations, prices of Soviet labor and raw materials and filabor and raw materials and innancing, would be worked out in
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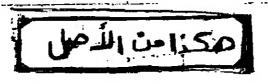
ventures in the Soviet Union. The companies are Monsanto

Co., which is to be a partner in a herbicide plant in Alga, in the re-public of Kazakhstan; Occidental Petroleum Corp., which is to coop-erate in working oil fields in the Volga region; and Singer Co., Fire Damages Swiss Forest which is to join in production of sewing machines at a plant in the city of Orsha in the Byelorussian

signed letters of intent to form joint radical economic innovations envi- of the president's comments to her sioned under Mikhail S. Gorbachev, the Soviet leader. In theory, such ventures would

bring Western industrial technology, investment capital and know-how to the Soviet Union.

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# J) BRIEF Reagan Asks Approval of \$1 Trillion Budget Plan

By Tom Kenworthy WASHINGTON - President Ronald Reagan sent Congress on Monday a \$1.024 trillion budget

for fiscal 1988.

Congressional critics said they would rewrite the proposal, which they said would unfairly place the burden of deficit reduction on those least able to afford it.

Mr. Reagan's budget, his seventh since taking office and the first in U.S. history to pass the trillion-dollar mark, resembled his previous blueprints in proposing no new taxes, broad and deep reductions in domestic programs, and increases in spending on defense and foreign

It again targeted for chimination dozens of programs that have previously been rescued by Congress.

However, in what appeared to be a tacit concession to the growing short tendency of Congress to restructure his budgets. Mr. Reagan promutes ment's posed a far more modest increase in defense spending for the fiscal year to be been his practice. year that begins Oct. 1 than has

The budget asks Congress to approve defense spending authority of \$312 billion, \$8 billion below what was requested last year, when Congress cut nearly \$30 billion from the administration request.

Without asking for

Leaders in Congress, who convene their 100th session Tuesday under full Democratic control, promised to begin reviewing Mr.
Reagan's budget immediately and
called on the Republican president to meet with them in an effort to in program cuts and revenue changes. budget and revenues.

Senator Robert Byrd of West Virginia, the new leader of the Senate's Democratic majority, said he had problems with the budget, contending that it would slash education and 25 percent over the next five years while allowing defense spending to grow \$20 billion a year.

Mr. Byrd raised the possibility Monday of a meeting between the White House and congressional officials to seek a compromise.

The military budget is expected to face some of the harsbest scrutiny during the budget debates. The speaker of the House, Jim Wright, Democrat of Texas, said it would be "trimmed very substantially."

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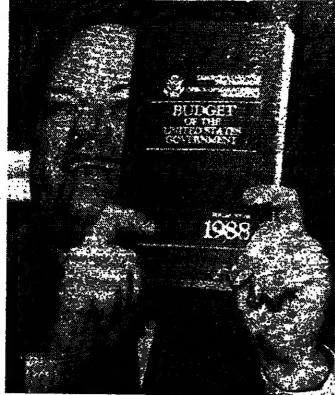
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James C. Miller 3d, the White House budget director.

short years and reducing the revethat come into the govern-

\$150 billion before reductions are gain taken into account was called into question on Capitol Hill, where the Congressional Budget Office last week estimated the deficit would

Without asking for a general tax increase, the president's budget met the \$108 billion deficit target set by the balanced budget law that calls for ending federal deficits by 1991. To meet the target, the ad-

Continuing a pattern set last year, the deficit reduction effort relied heavily on the disposition of federal assets, including the sales of government loans and such politically popular properties as Amtrak's northeast rail corridor, and the imposition of fees for previously free government services.

The budget also proposes major funding reductions in health programs, farm subsidies, student loans and housing programs.

Treasury Secretary James A. Baker 3d, speaking at a morning briefing, contended that Mr. Reagan's budget is not a "carbon copy" of past efforts and that it "shows that climinating the deficit is possi-

In a political shot across the bow of the 100th Congress, where there is substantial sentiment already for ment" through taxes, and still bal-ance the budget. is substantial sentiment already for relaxing the Gramm-Rudman-Hol-lings deficit targets, Mr. Baker said the fiscal 1988 budget deficit of that "government had made a bargain with the people when we passed Gramm-Rudman-Hollings;

we are keeping that bargain." "Last year our budget quenched the fire-breathing part of the deficit dragon," said James C. Miller 3d, director of the Office of Manage-

ment and Budget.
"This year we are going to throw a net over it and get it under con-trol," he added. "I'm kind of tired of hearing statements that the bud-get is dead on arrival. The budget can be dead on arrival only if somebody on Capitol Hill kills it. It was sure alive when it left my office."

**■** Shultz Seeks Supplement

Secretary of State George P. Shultz asked Monday for \$1.1 billion in additional foreign aid this

reception in Congress.

vestigator, who insisted upon ano-The request for additional 1987 funds included \$207 million for Guerry Thornton Jr., of the firm military aid to Spain, with which Acree & Thornton of Atlanta, the United States is negotiating a said that a lawyer working for his firm learned from local investigators that evidence indicated that "two bombs were planted and both

# White House Is in Eclipse at Dawn of 100th Congress

By Linda Greenhouse New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - The opening of the 100th Congress Tuesday brings an end to an extraordinary

In only 11 weeks since the 99th Congress adjourned, the U.S. political world has been transformed. The November elections and the

#### **NEWS ANALYSIS**

Iran-contra arms affair overturned many of the realities and assumptions of the past six years.

Throughout those years, President Ronald Reagan's immense popularity and credibility made the White House the government's undisputed center of gravity. The president's agenda was the national agenda. He did not win every battle with Congress, but his priorities established the framework for the

But now, the administration is on the defensive; Mr. Reagan's standing in the polls has plunged; both houses of Congress are in Democratic hands for the first time since the Reagam era began; and Congress is about to place the ad-ministration's most glaring failure under a microscope. Suddenly, the center of gravity has shifted to Capitol Hill.

This unanticipated development brings responsibility and risk. With new leaders in both houses, and with the next presidential election cycle already under way, this consional session promises to be a time of intense personal and insti-

tational testing.

The investigations of the Irancontra affair by two select committees, with all the resonances of Watergate that the very words summon up, will dominate the atmosphere for the foreseeable fu-



'American people have given the Democratic Party two years to answer one question: Can the Democrats govern the nation in the post-Reagan era?

> - Robert C. Byrd, Democratic Leader

The committees - 11 senators, most of them quite senior, and IS House members, a flammable mixture of Democratic committee chairmen and scrappy young con-servative Republicans — were born in a bipartisan glow of professed determination to get at the truth, but the bipartisan spirit may even-

tually wear thin. If so, Congress could easily squander the unusual degree of enters 1988 without a solid public support and confidence with of achievements in Congress hich it is entering the new year. 30 indicated that, by more than 2-1, month: the public trusted Congress rather "The

than Mr. Reagan to "make the right decisions on foreign policy." The dominance of the Iran investigations will give congressional leaders still another challenge. Time and energy must be found for beyond reconstructing the errors of the past. Democrats are keenly aware that there will be no one to blame but themselves if the party enters 1988 without a solid record

Senator Robert C. Byrd of West Polls usually place Congress far Virginia, who is about to resume down on the list of institutions the post of majority leader that he trusted by the public. But a New lost six years ago, told a group of York Times-CBS News Poll Nov. national Democratic leaders last

The American people have giv-

en the Democratic Party two years

new Congress are depressingly fa-

Chief among them is the budget items, a number of them more than deficit. Under the timetable of the cosmetic, and some members are 1985 budget-balancing law, the deficit, now more than \$170 billion, is supposed to shrink to \$108 billion. Many lawmakers doubt the target can be met. The budget Mr. Reagan submitted meets the target by relying on assumptions and po-licy choices that Congress has been rejecting for years.

A Supreme Court decision last summer removed the budget measure's enforcement mechanism, in effect leaving Congress free to walk away from the law. Despite its po-litical risks, that course may find growing favor if Congress can agree on another, less rigid approach to budget-cutting.

There is widespread dissatisfaction in both houses with the pace on arms control, and some form of arms control legislation is a strong possibility. A bipartisan coalition in the Senate is pushing for legislation to restore U.S. compliance with the unratified 1979 arms trea-

These are among the other issues likely to come before the new Con-

• Trade. The incoming speaker of the House, Jim Wright of Texas, said Friday that developing a trade policy was "the first imperative" of the new Congress. He will reintroduce this week, as a framework for further discussion, a comprehensive trade bill that passed the House in May but never reached the Senate floor after the president protectionist. The Senate will also hold early hearings on trade policy.

to answer one question: Can the cal corrections" to repair acknowl-Democrats govern the nation in the edged flaws in the new tax law post-Reagan era?"

edged flaws in the new tax law failed in the final days of the last Some of the problems facing the session, and will probably be revived. However, the final proposal contained more than 300 separate items, a number of them more than afraid that the bill could become a vehicle for making substantial tax changes. Many lawmakers believe that new tax revenue is the only solution to the budget problem. But Mr. Reagan's opposition makes it extremely difficult for the Democrats to take the lead.

 Banking and securities. Review of the structure of the banking system, including the weakened condition of the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corp., is listed as a top priority by members of both houses. In addition, there is some sentiment for legislation to restrict corporate takeovers in light of last year's insider trading scan-

 Transportation. A deadlock over whether to repeal the national speed limit of 55 mph (90 kph) blocked passage of a major high-way bill last year. The effort will begin again when Representative Wright reintroduces the bill in the House this week.

The earliest ideological test for

the new Congress may come in February, when a \$40-million aid payment to the rebels fighting the Nicaraguan government will go forward unless both houses vote to block it. The margin of support for both houses last year, and an effort to cut off the final installment wil almost certainly be made.

But any vote would be subject to presidential veto, and even if oponents of aid now command a majority in Congress, they proba-bly lack the two-thirds vote needed

# Evidence of Firebomb Reported in Hotel Blaze

By Clifford D. May New York Times Service

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico - The

ething like a Molotov cocktail

fire that killed 96 people at the Dupont Plaza Hotel was started by

or firebomb, according to a senior

federal investigator and a lawyer

specializing in disaster cases.

year to make up for cuts made by Congress, Reuters reported from Washington.

He also proposed what he called a tough 1988 foreign aid budget request of \$15.2 billion, nearly \$2

billion more than the amount voted by Congress for this year. Both requests are expected to get a cool

Mr. Wright said in a television ble without raising taxes, without new agreement on military bases, sacrificing our defense prepared and \$172 million for El Salvador, ness and without cutting into the the cost of military spending in five safety net for the poor and elderly."

October's earthquake.

cording to this evidence the bombs and a Teamsters union local were were not professionally made de-under investigation in connection of his source "it was not the intent" of the arsonist "to destroy lives or wipe out the hotel."

"He said it appeared to be a prank that went bad," Mr. Thorn-"It was a simple device, nothing sophisticated," said the federal in-

> Investigators for the U.S. goverament and the commonwealth of Puerto Rico said at a news conference Sunday that the fire Wednesday was caused by arson.

lon has said that both sides in a more specific about the cause of the

vices, more like Molotov cock- with the fire. The union local has tails." He said that in the opinion denied that any of its members The commonwealth's secretary

of justice, Hector Rivera Cruz, said at the news conference that the fire's point of origin had been determined but he refused to say

He said his investigators had found "no evidence of an explosive device or bomb related to this fire."

Mr. Rivera Cruz said "a chemical substance" had been used to Governor Rafael Hernandez Co-start the bisze, but he would not be

States in 40 years. Neither he nor Andrew Vita, su-

pervisor of the National Response Team of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, would confirm or deny whether a Molotov cocktail or other "incendiary device" might have been used.

Mr. Rivera Cruz said investigators were "trying to establish who was responsible for this crime," focusing on people "related to hotel

The official finding of arson moves the investigation onto a more serious legal plane. Sources familiar with the investigation say homicide charges may be lodged

Mr. Rivera Cruz said that, to avoid tipping off possible defen-dants, he would refuse to give information on any findings in the

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# Millions of Americans Are Learning to Live on Lower Wages

an-hour job as an inspector at Bethlehe Steel, Rita Hamlet had to settle for \$3.75 an hour as a supermarket cashier.

When Melvin Townsend was laid off from his \$10.60-an-hour job as a laborer at Harbison-Walker Refractories, the father of two girls said the best job he could get was \$5.50 an hour placing slabs of meat on a hook and wrapping them in plastic bags.

Ms. Hamlet, 42, and Mr. Townsend. 40, are examples of a phenomenon occurring in the American workplace as the economic pressures of global competi-tion bit manufacturing industries in the United States. Millions of semiskilled workers are feeling the effects of layoffs, plant closings and wage concessions forced by competition and are facing an end to their middle-class way of life.

expectations, they are trying to make ends meet with wages that are sometimes less than half of what they once earned.

Analysts are debating whether workers like Ms. Hamlet and Mr. Townsend illustrate that the American standard of living is declining, and, if so, what can be done about it in the face of the corporate need to cut high labor costs to become compet-

Of the eight million jobs created between 1979 and 1984, nearly three-fifths of them pay less than \$7,000 a year — in dollars adjusted to levels in 1984 - com-pared with fewer than one-fifth in the previous six years, according to a recent study commissioned by the Congressionel Joint Economic Committee.

The study said that white men, who

study said 97 percent of the new jobs filled by white men in the early 1980s paid less than \$7,000 a year.

Black men's wages, which increased sharply during the 1970s, also have declined. Gains in high wage areas for them during the 1970s have all but disappeared. The wage gains of black women also have declined.

Government statistics show that an unusually large number of people are working part time because full-time work is unavailable, and they probably are receiving lower wages and few benefits. But economists disagree on whether overall wages are deciming, and, if they are, to what degree.

"There is a slow drift toward industries that on average pay lower wages," said

job and pay situation is deteriorating. A recent study by the Committee for Economic Development, a group of business people and educators, said that evidence suggested a trend toward higher earnings and that, between 1973 and 1982, slightly more than half of the jobs created were

professional and managerial. The study said that between 1984 and 1995, 16 million new jobs would be created. Much of the growth would be concentrated in executive, administrative and managerial, professional and technical fields, which have the highest proportion of college-educated workers or specialists with post-secondary training.

However, the committee also said it was unclear what the net effect of job changes would be

"As we have seen, some of the changes

By Jane Scaberry

Washington Pear Service

Many of them were the first in their traditionally have been the highest paid families to become middle-income wage

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But economists do not agree that the mixed, clearly indicates the continuing jobs. Now, with low skills but high study said 97 percent of the new jobs

But economists do not agree that the job and pay situation is deteriorating. A generation of new employment opportu-

The committee's study study said displaced workers had found jobs fairly quickly and "about 45 percent of them were earning as much or more in these

Nearly half of the 5.1 million displaced workers lost jobs in manufacturing, the study said. Those most affected were in steel, auto and nonelectrical machinery and had worked in factory floor jobs as

operators, fabricators and laborers. Nearly 29 percent of blue collar workers, compared with 24.4 percent of white-collar workers, lost 25 percent or more of their full-time weekly earnings. About 10 percent, compared with 7.4 percent of white-collar workers, had full-time losses

## of 50 percent or more.

#### Hurdles in the Race to '88

Partial list of key events in Presidential nominating process; some dates could be changed by state legislatures or political parties. In some states, Democratic and Republican caucuses could be held on different days.

1987 Jan. 1

Candidates can start to raise money to qualify for Federal matching funds.

1988 Jan. I

Candidates can begin receiving Federal funds to match campaign contributions. Michigan caucus (Republicans). Jan. 11

primary on this date, in which case the New March 1

Feb. 15

Feb. 23

Hampshire primary would likely be on Feb. 16. "Super Tuesday." Primaries in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, Tennessee

New Hampshire primary. South Dakota may hold

and Texas. March 13 Washington caucus. March 15 Hinois primary.

March 19 Alaska caucus. March 20 Minnesota primary. March 29 Connecticut primary.

Primaries in Nevada, Wisconsin and possibly New April 5 York, pending legislative action. Pennsylvania primary. April 26

Primaries in Indiana, Ohio and District of May 3 Columbia. Nebraska and West Virginia primaries. May 10 Oregon primary. May 17

Primaries in California, Montana, New Jersey and June 7

North Dakota primary.

# CAMPAIGN: '88 Presidential Race Is Likely to Be Wide Open and Intense

(Continued from Page 1) Hart's \$2.4 million 1984 debt by

next fall. In 1984, the fissures that Mr. Hart's candidacy created within the party were generational and stylistic rather than ideological. In 1988, it is conceivable that there will be no major fissures of any kind within the party.

Mr. Hart has three principal competitors at the moment: Mr. Biden, Representative Richard A. Gephardt of Missouri, and the outgoing governor of Arizona, Bruce Babbitt. All three are of Mr. Hart's generation, and all will try to present a more attractive, more articu-late, more credible version of the basic candidacy Mr. Hart offered in 1984.

pected to emphasize economic growth, arms control, military reform and international competi-The Reverend Jesse L. Jackson is

Like Mr. Hart, they are all ex-

expected to launch another bid for the Democratic nomination in 1988. And although some black leaders have begun to advise him 1984), there is no evidence that his base among black voters has diminished. The question is whether he can expand beyond that.

At a time when almost all Democrats subscribe to the proposition that the party must have a nominee who can carry the South, it seems whether he can take advantage of a less and less likely that there will be moment of opportunity. His high a Southerner in the race. Charles S Robb, a former Virginia governor, despite gaining visibility and admirers for his role as chairman of the Democratic Leadership Councal, has been telling everyone he does not want to run for president. and people are starting to believe

says he is not inclined to run but visibility during the weeks of the The television evangelist Pat Robwill give the matter thought in the crisis has served him well, and he ertson is expected to announce this next month or so. The betting is that Mr. Num's chairmanship of the Senate Arms Services Committee and his place on the select panel

Washington.

Senator Dale Bumpers of Arkansas also is giving the matter thought, but he has been to the water's edge before, and pulled hash before.

Work is miner immer. As se uaveas senator Paul Laxalt of Nevada, who is retiring, is considered less likely now than he had been a few months ago to try for the presidency. Mr. Reagan's sudden problems and the failure of the Republicans and the failure of the Republicans and the failure of the Republicans.

Michael S. Dukakis, He is expected to decide by March whether to run. Republicans

mauthorized presidential mailing has gone out on behalf of Governor

George Bush's presidential fortimes probably will rise or fall depending on how the Reagan adarms affair.

His short-term damage is chronicied by a nationwide poll conducted last month by the Roper Organization, which shows he leads the Senate majority leader, Bob Dole against it (just as many did in of Kansas, among Republicans by 29 percent to 20 percent. The margin shrinks to 5 percentage points when independents are added. This past summer, Mr. Bush had led Mr. Dole by more than 30 points in

other nationwide polls. The question for Mr. Dole is whether he can take advantage of a

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tee and his place on the select panel investigating the Iran-contra affair will keep him preoccupied in work is much thinner. As he travels

Senato

and stage before. lenger, Representative Jack Kemp to hold onto his Senate seat have Meantime, in Massachusetts, an of New York, has stayed flat. His dampened his prospects. response to the Iran-contra affair has been to write rally-round-thepresident articles for several publications. While they may score him points down the road with the Rea-

The only declared presidential candidate, former Governor Pierre
S. (Pete) du Pont 4th of Delaware.
the Watergate affair. ministration comes out of the Iran S. (Pete) du Pont 4th of Delaware,

Senator Paul Laxalt of Nevada,

On the other hand, the former wavering about a second bid for the presidency, finds his prospects imgan faithful, the articles have given presidency, finds his prospects im-him no detectable immediate incoming the current administration crisis. Mr. Baker made his na-

is hoping to grab attention with one Two former cabinet members proposal to get the government out Alexander M. Haig Jr., who once of the farm-subsidy business and was Mr. Reagan's secretary of another to transform Social Securi- state; and Donald Rumsfeld, who ty into a system built around sav- was President Gerald R. Ford's ings accounts similar to individual secretary of defense - have been retirement accounts, or IRAs.

The rest of the field is unsettled.

mapping plans to run in 1988. Both are considered long shots.

tional reputation by his skillful



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### Japan Ought to Help

pan and its political allies are distressingly familiar. It would be no small matter if links slowly forged between erstwhile enemics were to weaken, or even if the forging process were to flag. But the danger exists. Like so many political dangers, it has a hard core of economic dispute.

The United States and Europe, and not a few of Japan's Asian neighbors, condemn it for long following economic strategies that are simultaneously aggressive and defensive. An undervalued yen and too tight a hold on spending at home have produced an economy that is excessively export-oriented. And governments have done too little to counteract a disinclination to buy goods from abroad.

Japan's exchange rate weapon has now largely been jettisoned, and some steps have been taken to make it less hard for foreigners to sell in Japan. All the same. most forecasts of Japan's export sumins see it falling little this year from last year's enormous \$80 billion.

What then should be made of Japan's latest and much publicized decisions to abandon the limits previously imposed on defense spending and to step up aid to the developing world? Neither decision was politically easy, and both are consistent with a more outward-looking Japan. Nevertheless, the progress seems slight.

Since World War II, Japan's defense spending has been extremely low, for national and international reasons. This past decade it has been limited to 1 percent of GNP, a far lower drain on resources than in America or Europe. Some believe that if Japan spent more on de-

being exported, and reduce the U.S. need for high military outlays. But this presupposes that America would cut its defense budget accordingly; more probably, the Pentagon would step up spending elsewhere. And sooner rather than later, higher defense spending would probably increase rather than decrease Japan's technological advance, because the spinoff into civilian industry can be huge. So higher military spending is unlikely to reduce Japan's economic might.

Japanese development aid to the poor world is stingy. The Netherlands and Norway, with roughly comparable living standards, devote 1 percent of their annual income to aid. Japan's contribution is one-third of this, and the comparison is unlikely to improve as a result of the additional aid it now promises to agencies like the World Bank over the next three or four years. Even the limited aid effort to date has been criticized because so much of it has been tied to extra purchases from Japan. In principle, the new aid will be untied, but much will probably flow back to Japanese firms, many of which see no alternative to further export efforts despite falling profitability. Foreign aid will

not end Japan's huge surplus.

The world will probably judge current Japanese attempts to soften the economic battle as too small and as sidestepping the main issue. It is hard to see how Japan can reduce its embarrassing trade surplus without measures to stimulate home demand. Its budget for 1987 suggests that it still abhors such stimulus.

INTERNATIONAL HERALD TRIBUNE.

#### **Not Much Time Left**

In the foreign trade accounts, 1986 ended badly for the United States. On Dec. 31 the government published the export and import figures for November, showing another ominously large deficit. When the markets reopened on Friday the dollar's exchange rate dropped again. A single day's decline does not mean much, but it is another little reminder of the automatic mechanism that eventually enforces balance on even the largest and richest of spendthrifts. The real number for the November defi-

cit will not ultimately turn out to be quite as spectacularly bad as the \$19.2 billion that the Commerce Department reported - the largest monthly trade deficit in the history of this or any other country. You need to be aware that the Customs Service and the Census Bureau handle the export-import tallies in batches, with little relation to the actual time of shipment. The \$19.2 billion figure includes some \$8 billion of carryover from previous months, and there are many billions of dollars' worth of November sales and deliveries that will not be counted until this year. Because of the rattling effect that these distorted statistics are having on financial markets, the Commerce and Treasury departments have an obligation to get their obsolete reporting system out of the 19th century and into a computer.

The reality, after all, is bad enough. While the deficit is not rising as fast as that

\$19.2 billion announcement suggests, it cer-tainly is not falling. The total deficit for the year will be around \$170 billion, with no improvement in evidence.

And that is ground for real concern. The exchange rate of the dollar has been falling for nearly two years, making imports more expensive and American exports cheaper abroad. It has become fashionable to look for an explanation in the imports from such countries as South Korea and Taiwan, which have their currencies pegged to the dollar. But both the yen and the mark have risen spectacularly against the dollar in the last 16 months, and there is nothing in the November statistics to suggest any trend toward balance in trade with Japan or West Germany. To the contrary. If America is waiting for the exchange rates to make

exports and imports meet, the dollar is evidently going to have to fall much farther. The deficit will not be cured without catting consumption. Americans can go af-ter it the voluntary and gradual way, by getting their federal deficit down and put-ting more of their incomes into savings and investment. Or it will go after them with a further severe drop in the exchange rate followed by another harsh round of stagilstrade figures is that there is not much time to get the trade accounts under control.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

## Some Always Go Back

The Dec. 30 exodus of 50 Soviet immigrants who changed their minds about liv-ing in America produced a little start. Why were people who no doubt had a tough time coming to America going back, presumably voluntarily, to the Soviet Union? By most accounts, these decisions do not reflect a choice between political or economic systems. That the Soviet Union and the United States are the countries involved in this traffic is not the central aspect. It is the universality of the human emotions at play.

Most immigrants come to America to make a better life. In part this means political and religious freedom. It also means more opportunity for themselves and their children. But there can be a downside to leaving home, friends and the security of niliar. Not many turn around and go back, but some do. They return not only to free to leave without looking back. Those in the Soviet bloc but to Greece and Italy, Britain and Israel, Mexico and Norway.

About 250,000 Soviet citizens have emigrated to the United States since the early 1970s. About 1,000 have decided to return. Of those in the latest wave, a filmmaker from Moscow was disappointed with his job on an assembly line in Jersey City. A middle-aged man missed the wife and child he had left behind. Some were lonely for friends, frustrated by language barriers or frightened by a free economic system in which jobs, housing, higher education and health care are not guaranteed by the state. A few found that political freedom did not compensate for the loss of economic securi-

ty, family ties and a familiar culture. The return of these individuals to their homeland is no embarrassment to the United States. Theirs are personal decisions. Because America is a free society, anyone is the Soviet Union should be so lucky. -THE WASHINGTON POST.

#### Other Comment

#### Thermonuclear Morality

In a world where it is deemed permissible for rulers to envisage defending their countries by the use of thermonuclear weapons which could destroy the whole human race. lesser actions, however immoral, must logically be relatively harmless. For Congress and the American public, to approve of President Reagan's defense policy and then grow morally indignant about the Iran shenanigans is a case of straining at the gnat after swallowing the elephant.

America's allies also feel shocked when a president has recourse to dirty tricks, and worse, as in Nicaragua. Such shock is anachronistic. It is also highly dangerous. Moralists rightly dwell on the absolute importance of avoiding thermonuclear war. The best way to achieve that end is for both

superpowers to feel free to manipulate the world in the interest of their own security. Such freedom inevitably involves their doing things that Christian princes in the old days would have found — and Congress still finds - unconsciouable. But Christian princes in the old days would have found thermonuciear war unconscionable.

Congress does not. It is prepared to vote money for thermonuclear weapons, but not for the contras; to envisage blowing up the world but not dealing with the ayatollab. That is to stand international morality on its head. Avoidance of thermonuclear war, that must be the supreme moral end in the pursuit of which a president may even be. justified in sacrificing that ultimate in sacred cows — the American Constitution.

— Peregrine Worsthorne, editor of The Sunday Telegraph (London).

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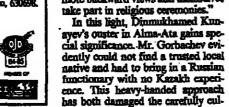
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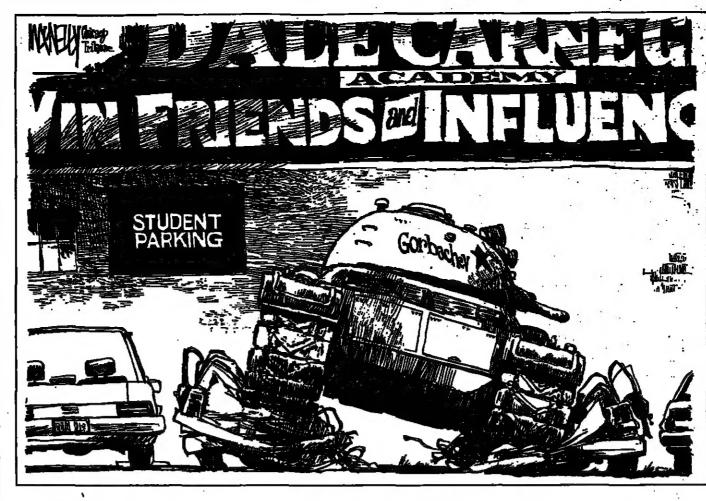
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#### **OPINION**



# Talk of Communism's Collapse Is Nonsense

N EW YORK — The idea that communism is a spent force first began circulating a few years ago as a way of saying that America no longer had anything to fear from Solonger had anything to fear viet expansionism and that it could therefore safely cut back on defense spending. Now the same idea is also being used by a number of commentators (some of whom should know better, and once did) as an argument for abandoning the Nicaraguan con-tres and most of the other people who, as President Ronald Reagan

puts it, "are risking their lives on every continent ... to dely Soviet-sponsored aggression."

This reassuring fantasy of commumist collapse is based on three propositions. The first is that the rulers of the Soviet Union, as well as their quislings and surrogates in the com-tries over which they exercise imperi-al control, have ceased believing in Marxism, at least to the extent they formerly did. The second is that hardly anyone living in any of the communist commiss by now believes in Macrism to any extent whatever. The third is that Marxism has become less appealing to Western intellectuals than it was once upon a time.

There is some truth in each of these propositions: just enough to mislead.

To begin with, whether or not the Soviet rulers still believe in Marxis their military power and its global reach have increased enormously in the part 26 the past 25 years. And in any case, whatever they may or may not say own minds, the rulers in communist countries - from the very top down to the managers and local party bosses — have no choice but to contime preaching the principles of Marxism and Leminism. It is these principles, and these principles alone, that give them the right to rule.

Indeed, according to the Czech dis-sident Vaclay Havel, Marxism in the communist world has become not less but more important as one of its promises after another has been mocked by "really existing socialism." Not only do the rulers need Marxism to justify their position in the eyes of their subjects, they also need it to justify their power in their

about the evil things they do. What of the people to whom these things are done? Certainly a great things are done? Certainly a great evidence of serious changes in commany of them have come to hate minist systems — in China and Huncommunism as an ideology and as a social system. Yet whenever they try to act on their hatred, they discover that communism is no spent force so ward a routinized Stalinism in which far as they are concerned — that, on the relative lack of violence is a fathe contrary, it has more than enough force left in it to kill them or imprison return to thoroughgoing totalitarian-

SANTA MONICA, California — No less troublesome for Moscow than the Islamic revival itself is grow-

ing evidence of a live-and-let-live at-titude, perhaps even collusion, be-tween Moslems in government and

the people. In many cases the party is

not only failing to neutralize Islam,

Islam may be co-opting the party.
Such concerns were publicly raised

at the party congresses of the Central Asian republics earlier this year. In speech after speech, party luminaries lambasted local officials for neglect-

ing atheist indoctrination and for

having "allied themselves with Is-

lam." Officials were accused of "hyp-

ocritical attitudes," including having tolerated underground Islamic organizations, production of illegal reli-

gious items in state enterprises and

construction of facilities for Moslem

pilgrims at local "holy places."

At a plenum session in October in Uzbekistan, party cadres were accused of having "reached a compromise with religion."

Islam's inroads among indigenous

Communists were confirmed at the highest level when Mikhail Gorba-

chev told a Tashkent andience: "We

must be strict above all with Commu-

nists and senior officials, particularly those who say they defend our moral-

ity and ideals but in fact help pro-mote backward views and themselves

By Norman Podhoretz

them or punish them in other ways. Except for a heroic few, they submit. Here is how another Czech dissident, Miroslav Kusy, sums up the situation with respect to both rulers and ruled: "Those who preach it be-have as if the ideological kingdom of real socialism existed in what we have here now; the nation behaves as if it believed it, as if it were convinced that it lived in accordance with this ideologically real socialism."

So much for the second propos tion upon which the fantasy of a

Marxist collapse is based.
As for the third, what is most striking about Western intellectuals is not the decline in the number of Marxist true believers among them. It is the persistence, despite this decline, of an incomigible tendency to give the benefit of the doubt to communist regimes and communist insurgencies. As applied to the Soviets, this ten-

As appead to the Soviets, this ten-dency nowadays mainly takes the form of always blaming their aggres-sive behavior on American provoca-tion or of denying that they have any expansionist intentions at all. As ap-plied to the Third World, it takes a somewhat more complicated form whose contours are vividly exempli-

DARIS — Andrei Sakharov's rewith other positive Gorbachev initia-tives, it raises hard questions. The time has come to discuss words and concepts for a new debate — or at least for a new round of the old debate — about the possibilities of communism's political development.

Is the Soviet system engaged in significant reform? When Mr. Sakharov's release provoked worried reactions, a French editorialist, Jean Daniel, recalled the observation of the late Raymond Aron that there is no reason "why the Soviet Union, alone, can eternally escape the dy-

The answer is probably not knowable at present. But there is indeed

fied by a famous speech made in 1982 by the writer Susan Sontag. Although never a Commun always an opponent of Stalinism in Europe, Miss Sontag had been an enthusiastic admirer of other communist regimes, especially in Cuba and North Vietnam. Now, she confessed, she could see the error of trying to distinguish "among commu-nisms." At last she had come to recognize "the utter villainy of the com-

Did she then conclude that her sympathies properly belonged to the contras in Nicaragua and the government in El Salvador, both of whom were at that very moment in war with this "utter villainy"? Not on your life. About the contras she said nothing. To the communist-dominated rebels in El Salvador she later offered her "passionate support" in their "strug-gie to overthrow the tyranny backed by the American government."

This bizarre contradiction is typi-cal of a frame of mind among intel-lectuals throughout the West. In any struggle between Communists and anti-Communists, they will either

nonexistent alternative, especially when the Communists are winning. Those who make these choices will argue that the Communists are not so bad, or that the anti-Communists are much worse, or that we have no right to interfere, or that the spread of communism is no threat to us.

But then, having done everything they could to turn a given country over to the Communists while there was still a fighting chance to save it, the same intellectuals will weep for the people who have been condenned to live under a regime for which such high hope had once been entertained in New York, London and Paris. They will declare their solidarity with Solidarity and all other dissident movements in communist regimes - except when such movements look as though they might, with a little help form their friends,

with a time heap form their instance, actually be able to prevail.

In a few years, if these intellectuals and politicians get their way, they will be shedding tears over Nicaragua. But by then it will be too late. Just as it is now too late for the and all the other peoples all over the world who have not yet had the wit to see that communism is a spent force.

# Can the U.S.S.R. Alone Be Unchanging?

namics of evolution. But is what Mikhail Gorbachev seems to be setting in motion merely a new bottle for old wine?

gary, for example, and in the Italian Communist Party. The question becomes whether trends today are to-ward a routinized Stalinism in which

of local affairs and indicated the

But then, Mr. Gorbachev's policies

in Central Asia - even before Alma-

Ata and contrary to his benign image in the West—have been heavy-hand-ed. They have surely contributed to a

simmering Moslem resentment that found violent expression in the riots.

Since coming to power, Mr. Gor-bachev has purged Central Asian of-ficials on a scale not seen since Stalin.

Under the slogan of struggling

against corruption, regionalism and

nepotism, more than half of all Cen-

tral Committee members were dis-missed in early 1986 in all republics.

In Uzbekistan, 80 percent of Cen-tral Committee members and 90 per-

cent of candidate members were re-

moved. These purges have been

accompanied by an influx of Slavic

cadres at senior levels and by a tight-

ening of Moscow's control. The Uz-

hek Central Committee is now nu-

merically dominated by Russians

although they make up less than 10 percent of the republic's population.

fied by another Gorbachev policy:

the campaign against "unearned in-come" initiated last July. The Krem-

lin wants to destroy or severely cur-tail the vast network of private legal,

semi-legal and illegal transactions

The effort is franght with political

danger throughout the Soviet Union because the second economy has

known as the "second economy."

Local resentment has been intensi-

Kremlin's deep unease.

By Ronald Tiersky

ism -or instead toward decommunization of the system. After all, Soviet-style comm has been proved to be a historical dead end as a political and economic

system. It should not come as a surprise if leaders seem finally to be admitting this to themselves and acting on the consequences. Mr. Sakharov's comments since his return to Moscow bring up the question of what reform would consist in. were it real. Most observers concentrate on economic reform - either

because Soviet prosperity requires "modernization" and high techno-logy, which would have political effects: or because many Westerners assume that the Soviets, too, are consumerist and thus have Western-type motives. Mr. Sakharov, however, has insisted on the matter of legality. Here he may have found a terrain on which he can work with Mr. Gorbachev. The latter advocates giamost

(openness), which has Russian connotations of transparency, fair action on the basis of accepted rules. This

When Comrades Get Religion, Empire Is in Trouble

tivated appearance of native control served as an essential safety valve for

By Alex Alexiev

This is the second of two articles.

Could revision of democratic centralism's written and unwritten codes, making civil and political rights more than a fiction and glasnost more than a slogan, be a road of development within communism's own terms? Could a rule-of-law system, in place of a law-of-rules syste be built up from inside communism? In "Will the U.S.S.R. Survive Until 1984?" Andrei Amalrik wrote of a desire building up both "from above" and "from below" for stable norms. Even economic reform poses a ba-

sically political question of liberty forms ... are impossible in the Soviet Union. What is possible is radical political reforms that have fundamen-

In any case, the evidence is that an interesting new period in communist political development has begun.

The writer, a professor of political sci-ence at Armerst College in Armerst, Massachusetts, contributed this comment

#### to buy, sell, produce, among others. As Seweryn Bisler and Joan Afferica have written, "Radical economic re-

help in ending Vietnam's eight-year occupation of Cambodia also seems to have been heard by Mr. Gorbachev. In October the Soviets dis-cussed Cambodia formally with Chi-na, and a series of high-level Soviet-Vietnamese contacts since have produced new feelers by Hanoi to ciled Prince Norodom about peace talks. Pol Pot, the Klimer Rouge leader whose removal Vietnam has demanded as a precondition for peace talks, has at the same time been reported to be seriously ill and bospitalized in Beijing. Any improvement in Chinese-So-

Gorbachev:

Asia's Year

By Jim Hoagland

P ARIS — The West can no longer doubt Mikhail Gorbachev's in-

tention to change things, nor ques-

tion his ability to put his own stamp on policy. In the Soviet system, a leader still struggling to establish himself would scarcely have made the

decisions he has made in recent days.

The most obvious one involved Mr. Gorbachev becoming personally and publicly involved in rehabilitating Andrei Sakharov. More discreet

but also important was overseeing from behind the scenes the call by

Afghanistan's Soviet-installed gov-

ered in isolation. Rather it should be

seen as part of what could become Mr. Gorbachev's most important for-eign policy campaign of the year. The cease-fire proposal signals that he intends to lower regional tensions in Asia in 1987 as he intensifies the

diplomatic initiative toward the Pa-cific that he launched in Vladivostok last July. It in effect establishes the

high-water mark of the Soviet mili-

tary assault on Afghanistan.

If, as now appears likely, SovietU.S. relations remain stuck at the

level of arguing about what actually happened at Reykjavík and what to do about it, Mr. Gorbachev is likely

to make this his own "Year of Asia."

Already he is prodding Vietnam to be more flexible on Cambodian-

peace terms (largely as a lure to China to improve Chinese-Soviet relations) and is searching for ways to upgrade economic ties with Japan and other Pacific rim countries.

It is not only the preoccupation in Washington with the Iran-contra scandal that gives Mr. Gorbachev.

more of a clear field than seemed

possible just a few months ago. This

s certain to be a year of unusual

political ferment throughout Asia, with events in different countries

echoing and ricocheting off each oth-

er. In such a year, the kind of clearly

defined long-term Asia policy that Mr. Gorbachev and his team seem to

riding item on its Asian agenda.

be fashloning could make significant gains for Moscow, particulary if America lets protectionist responses to trade problems become the over-

China's leaders have made clear

that they do not expect the Soviets to yield enough on Afghanistan and Cambodia to bring about a rap-prochement between the two antago-nistic Communist powers. But Mos-ney does seem to be taking more to

cow does seem to be taking more to

heart Beijing's prescription that the road to improved relations passes through Kabul and Phnom Penh.

It is also just possible that the Rus-sians may have understood that their

brutal attacks on the Afghan coun-

tryside were producing more support for the Afghan guernila movements,

and that they have reached the limits

The timing of the cease-fire offer, which the resistance quickly rejected, allows Moscow and Kabul to probe

for indications that Washington

might want to scale down the guerril-

problems. In short, for the first time

the spasmodic United Nations peace effort on Afghanistan may have a chance of making real headway when

it resumes in February. China's demand that the Sovieta

la war as controversy swirts around the CIA's role in the Iran-contra

of military action there.

ment for a cease-fire. The cease-fire proposal is seriously. flawed. But it should not be consid-

Here Comes

viet relations would belp rekindle / Japanese Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone's desire to end his remarkable reign late this year with an open-ing toward the Soviet Union. Opposition from his Foreign Ministry, and the U.S.-Soviet failure at Reykjavik, have slowed Mr. Nakasone's efforts to host Mr. Gorbachev in Tokyo, but he is not likely to let the Soviet ac-

count remain dormant very long.
With students marching in China,
Corazon Aquino continuing a shrewd but perilous campaign to underwhelm multitudinous and nasty op-ponents and Chun Doo Hwan cracking the whip in South Korea in his last full year in power, there will be last this year in power, uses win or plenty of other opportunities for Mr. Gorbachev to demonstrate to Polit-buro colleagues that he has chosen a good vintage in Asia policy making.

The Washington Post.

#### popular frustrations over the inabil-ity of the system to provide needed goods and services. In Central Asia, the second economy is not only a way

the indigenous population would suf-fer an economic decline more serious than in other areas. the Los Angeles Times. Despite thetoric to the contrary,

Central Asia continues to be treated as a colonial possession. As in Czarist times, the region still is primarily an exporter of raw materials, with relatively little industrial development and a smaller share of investment resources. The area, for example, grows 90 percent of all Soviet cotton but produces only about 7 percent of cotton textiles. Per capita social expenditure in Central Asia is more than 30 percent lower than the Soviet average, and is declining. Finally, Mr. Gorbachev has or-

of life, it makes possible an acceptable standard of living and thereby

assures a degree of political acquies-

income through the second economy,

dered a frontal assault on Islam. For the past year Soviet media have engaged in a virtual orgy of Islam bashing. Thousands of propagandists have been sent to the countryside for atheistic work and "practical exercises to unmask the cunning and perfidy of the lackeys of religion." Offi-cials have sponsored "atheism months" throughout Central Asia and called for history texts to "show the negative consequences of the Arab conquest of Central Asia and positive declaration from him.

the spread of Islam." In lecture after lecture, the regime stresses that Islam and socialism are incompatible. Kremlin concern is well founded, as growing numbers of the 50 million.

Soviet Moslems seem to realize that Soviet socialism may be ultimately incompatible with their spiritual, economic and political aspirations.
The political implications of this do not bode well for the longevity of the last surviving colonial empire.

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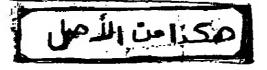
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1912: The Race Is On NEW YORK - President Taft's dec-

laration [on Jan. 3] that nothing but death can keep him out of the race for the Republican nomination has widened the gap between him and his opponents, placing him in a distinctly stronger position. Governor Woodrow Wilson, of New Jersey, at the opening of the National Democratic Cub here, charged that the Republican party is responsible for the high prices of food. Governor Judson Harmon, of Ohio, has opened Presidential beadquarters here in an effort to break the hold of Governor Wilson, his rival for the Democratic nomination, in the eastern section of the country. Friends of Theodore Rooseveit say he has assured them that they can organize a Presidential boom in his behalf, but need not expect a

1937: A 'Path' for Japan TOKIO - In a broadcast [on Jan. 5] designed to give the people a better understanding of the German-Japanese agreement for combating Com-munism, Foreign Minister Hachiro Arita said that "those who believe that Japan is showing Fascist tendencies are not well informed. The fact that the treaty was concluded with the Nazi government, rather than a non-Fascist power, is a matter of no concern to Japan." He concinded: "Japan will soon be unable to advance in any direction without hew-Hence she must be constantly pre-pared to cope with the various obstacles in her path. As this is the way of progress, let us set out on it with courage and push ahead at all costs." He re-emphasized Japan's policy of friendship with all nations.



#### **OPINION**

### A U.S. President Is Public. **Defective Innards and All**

By William Safire

Wilson, for a period in 1920, was in effect the chief executive of the United States. President Wilson was incapacitated; his wife, with an aide, clamped a lid of secrecy on his condition and ran the country from his bedside.

In 1944, President Franklin Roosevelt was ill. His personal physician, Admiral Ross McIntire, lied to the public about his patient's condition; the doctor helped re-elect FDR to a fourth term but dishonored the medical profession and endangered the country at Yalta. Could that happen now? In an era of nuclear missiles, the need for the president to be fully capable of making quick decisions overrides considerations of privacy in health matters. The 25th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution events another takeover of presidential functions by a wife or side.

When presidents undergo major operations, they make executive arrangements to turn over their constitutional authority temporarily to vice presidents. Ronald Reagan entered the hospital on Sunday after cheerfully referring to his prostate operation and colonoscopy as "a breeze — I've been there before," He was to have a spinal anesthetic and remain conscious, so no temporary trans-

fer of power was needed.

However, a related issue is best discussed now, as many medical authorities are telling reporters that the pre-operative prognosis is good.

Nancy Reagan, we are told, did not want to make a "media circus" out of this week's hospital visit. The White House told the Mayo Clinic team at the start not to talk to the press. Asked if the president's doctors would hold a press conference after the prostate operation, presidential spokesman Larry Speakes said no. Who would answer the questions? "You'll have Dr. Speakes."
The issue is usually posed as one of a

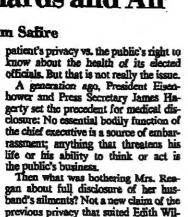
### His Toughest Year

THE air has been going out of Ron-ald Reagan's balloon ever since he won his empty re-election victory. The themeless campaign he waged in 1984 left him without a policy mandate. In 1986, when Republicans still had

the Senate majority, Mr. Ressan won only 56.5 percent of the congressional roll calls testing his policies. That was the lowest winning percentage for any president since Gerald Ford faced a

Democratic Congress in the final year of his appointive presidency in 1976. Mr. Reagan's downhill slide might well have made him a loser more often than a winner in 1987, even if Republicans still had a Senate majority. As it is, his advisors know that this will be his toughest year on Capitol Hill.

— Columnist David S. Broder.



previous privacy that suited Edith Wilson; more, I submit a concern for image -a desire not to allow this man, 76 next month, to appear to be an invalid. If his illnesses are minimized or concealed, goes the image makers' hope, he will be made politically stronger,
That is a mistake not only because it is

wrong to hide the full truth about a president (or presidential candidate) from the public, but also on a less exalted level: Nobody is going to believe "Dr. Speakes" even when he tells as much of the truth as he understands.

Presidents are different from thee and me. They have more rights (to make legal what is illegal through a secret "finding") and fewer rights (to conceal for 20 years the advice of physicians that a second prostate operation would be necessary). What they gain in power they give up in personal privacy. This puts presidential doctors in a terrible bind. To whom is their first

loyalty — to patient or to country? In the future, what should a physician do if asked by his presidential patient to conceal a diagnosis that might affect his power to govern?

Most doctors would say that medical ethics come down on the side of the individual patient, and warn that a pres-ident womed about medical confidenti-

ality would avoid getting needed help.
I grant that this argument has weight;
I grant that Mrs. Reagan's motive in restricting information is the protectiveness rooted in love and loyalty, not power lust; and I am a privacy nut who considers drug tests and polygraph tortures an abomination. But the president's body is not wholly his own; that is why the government goes to such lengths to protect it. Mr. Resgan can remain the perennial optimist, but he should direct his doctors to tell all, to bore us to distraction with charts and televised explorations of his innards. That is a sign of physical strength, moral courage and political health.

Perhaps the next president should ask for a panel of doctors appointed by all three branches of government to check him out once a year, the results to be made public. The doctor-patient relaip might suffer, but the petientvoter relationship would improve.

The New York Times.



# A Constant Calendar, Once and for All

N EW YORK — You can't count on our current calendar. Every year the numbered dates fall on a different day of the wook. The average person has to check a calendar or a watch or ask a stranger to determine what day a partio-ular date falls on — whether, for in-stance, Jan. 6 is a Tuesday or a Friday. You have to use fingers, toes and other calculators to determine how many days are in a particular month. Adults are occasionally caught reciting a bad

thyme to figure out the cycles.

The problem is that the months are uneven, 28 days in one, 30 or 31 in others. We have 14 different calendar arrangements. The current calendar does not do well what a calendar should do: reckon time clearly and consistently so we can easily mark the past, locate the present and predict the future.

It is time to make the year as next and predictable as the day, to tidy up the internal year (days, weeks, months) as Julius Caesar and Gregory XIII synchronized the external calendar year

#### By John M. Culkin

with the solar year. It is time for a single, permanent calendar that will give us one formula, which can be learned once and used forever: the Constant Calendar. During the last 60 years, the League

#### MEANWHILE

of Nations and the United Nations considered the adoption of a couple of calendars that attempted unsuccessfully, in my opinion, to solve the proble caused by our present calendar. Many business and accounting firms use some variation of a 52-53 week calendar to even out the year for financial reporting purposes. The Constant Calendar is designed to be user-friendly and to make life easier for you and me as well as for

the certified public accountants.

This simplified calendar would divide the year into four quarters, each having two 28-day months and one 35-day

the Old Testament. His idea of deducing the Earth's age from the evidence avail-

able was clever for the time. Four centu-

ties later the evidence points toward a 4.5-billion-year-old Earth. Bishop Usah-

er's mistake was to assume that the lists of "begets" in the Bible were exhaustive

rather than representative or symbolic.

The modern-day proponents of a young Earth, like those who opposed Galileo, unfortunately, do both the Bible and science a disservice with their claims.

Writing in reference to the controve

sy that was aroused in Italy by a film about Aldo Moro's abduction and assas-

sination, Peter McCabe tried to draw a

parallel with ancient Greece (Letters, Dec. 16). Maintaining that "most an-

cient Greek dramatists did not dare use

as material the well-known news of the

day," he mentioned Phrynichus's "Cap-

ture of Miletus" as an example of a

drama which dealt with recent historical

events and incurred public wrath and censure as a result. In fact, Athenian

democracy deserves more credit than Mr. McCabe's letter would indicate.

relied mostly on myth for its materia

this was not the case with comedy, which

was sharply satincal about contempo-

rary issues and personalities. In his play

"The Achamians," Aristophanes criti-cized the Athenians' war against Sparta, and even expressed a measure of sympa-

While it is true that classical tragedy

**Greek Comedy Dared** 

KEITH GRIFFIOEN. Utrecht, Netherlands,

month. Dates would always fall on the same day of the week. For instance, the first day of each mouth would always be Monday and the 28th day would always be a Sunday. All weeks would begin on Monday and the days of the

reckend would be at week's end. It adds up to 364 days. The 365th day, Dec. 36, would fall between Sunday and Monday and would be called an intercalated day, a blank day or a "tween day." It could be a holiday -- World Peace Day, perhaps. In leap years, the extra day would be added in a similar fashion as a holiday at the end of June.

Thus, we get clean and equal quarters (3 months, 13 weeks, 91 days), a fixed match of days and dates, an easy to remember structure and a relatively simple process of adjustment.

Major holidays fall into convenient patterns. New Year's Day (Jan. 1) would always be a Monday of a four-day week-end (including Dec. 36, the annual holi-day). Christmas (Dec. 25) would always be a Thursday. Moreover, we climinate forever, for those who are concerned, the prospect of Friday the 13th.

Some people would be more incon-venienced than others. Calendar makers would soon realize that the public would still want a monthly change of scenery and that there would be profits to be made in producing the Constant Calen-dar as an art form. Astrologers would manifest their wonted flexibility in adjusting their charts to the new calendar. Movable feasts based on the moon would find their place within the new structure, as they have in the past. And the 5 percent of the population whose birthdays fell on the 29th, 30th and 31st days of the old calendar could opt under the new 28-day months for celebrating on the 28th of the month or an early day of the next month - or both.

As cultural changes go, the shift to this new calendar would be a serious but not transmatic event. The United Nations should be able to debate it and

vote decisively in a dozen years or so.

The perfect time to introduce the onstant Calendar would be Jan. 1, 2001 —the first day of a new year, a new century and a new millenium. That would allow time for discussion and djustment. It is also a year in which the first day of the year is a Monday. Remembering that all dates before 2001 are stated in traditional calendar terms and that all subsequent dates are stated in the new permanent form would be easy.

The writer, executive director of the Center for Understanding Media, contrib-uted this to The New York Times.

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#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Ethiopians' Hunger Is Linked to Policy

In "New Famine Seen as Ethiopia In "New Famine Seen as Ethiopia Relief Fades" (Dec. 13), Scott Kraft laments the decline in forthcoming relief aid to Ethiopia and warns of another famine without bothering to mention the basic link between Ethiopia's continning war policy in Eritrea, its chronic backwardness and the abject poverty,

white admitting that "things have pretty much returned to normal" with "much of Ethiopia green again" and fields thick with corn, sorghum and tell, a cereal and staple food," Mr. Kraft echoes the forecast of "high-level Ethioechoes the forecast of "high-level Ethio-pian government officials, relief workers and economic analysts" that "another famine is inevitable." He goes on to say that "the easing of drought does not mean that the country will come any-where near being able to feed itself" and that "more than two million people still face the danger of starvation." If the drought has eased, things have returned to normal and the country is green with to normal, and the country is green with fields thick with cereal crops, why would another famine be inevitable?

Mr. Kraft states that the Ethiopian government "is spending 22 percent of its budget this year for agriculture, slightly more than it spends on keeping Africa's largest standing army." These figures do not tally with the reality. Ethiopia spends over 50 percent of its annual budget on "defense and security" and only 10 percent on sericulture. " and only 10 percent on agriculture. Ethiopia's quarter-of-a-century-old war of aggression against the Eritrean people is consuming precious material, finan-cial and human resources that could have otherwise been used to upgrade the country's average per capita income of "about 30 cents a day and falling."

It is clear that Mr. Kraft's report is

Mr. Kraft states that the Ethiopian

lopsided, echoing official Ethiopian propaganda at the expense of the truth. AMDEMICAEL KAHSAL Secretary. Central Bureau of Foreign Relations. Eritrean People's Liberation Front. Montreuil, France.

Scott Kraft's report on rehabilitation efforts in Ethiopia had as one of its main points the lack of financial and development assistance for rehabilitation and

development programs in Africa.

Although immediate relief efforts are not as necessary as in 1984-1985, this in no way implies that the international donor community has left the country or is not investing in long-term develop-ment programs. The World Food Program, the largest United Nations development organization, is pursuing some of its largest and most ambitious development projects in Ethiopia.

For more than a decade the WFP has been engaged in large-scale efforts to reverse environmental degradation, precisely the measures urgently needed in order to avoid future famines. In a WFP project being carried out in

the Ethiopian lighlands, some 4 million people are involved in terracing, refores-tation and other activities aimed at rehabilitating forests, grazing and agricultural land. The project is the largest of its kind in Africa. Close to \$180 million has been spent on it since 1976 and an additional \$76 million has been allocated in 1986 to allow it to run until 1990.

the project area has been successfully rehabilitated. Over 45 million trees have been planted, 250,000 meters of gully check dams have been constructed and almost 100 kilometers of artificial waterways have been built to dispose of run-

off. The program has also been actively involved in helping to fund the development of a dairy industry in Ethiopia.

Interest in the WFP's Ethiopian projects has never been greater. Among countries and oversions are access countries and organizations now contributing to the conservation project are Australia, West Germany, Italy, Sweden and the European Community.

PAUL MITCHELL, Chief of Information, World Food Program, Rome.

#### In Defense of Afrikaners

Stephen G. Tripoli's letter from Bei-jing, "Now It's Pretoria's Turn" (Dec. 16), reflects the susessme reflects the awesome degree to which you disinform your readers about South Africa. White South Africans are in no way comparable to the relatives and cromes of Somoza, Marcos and Duvalier. They are people whose ancestors worked hard and took great risks to develop the country, and who now have a standard of living equivalent to that in their European countries of origin.

CLAUDE LAMBERT.

#### The Begetting of a Date

The report "U.S. Supreme Court The results, so far, are impressive — Confronts Teaching of 'Creation Sci200,000 kilometers (125,000 miles) of ence'" (Dec. 12) refers to "the Bible's hillsides have been terraced, enough to statements that God created the world build a meter-high stone wall four times and man about 6,000 years ago." The around the world. The project covers 2.5 Hible does not make that claim. The million hectares (about 6,175,000 acres), Irish bishop James Useher (1581-1656) roughly the size of Belgium. A fourth of calculated it from genealogies listed in

thy for the enemy (this in 425 B.C., while Athens was at war). Not only was the

play not suppressed; it won first prize in the drama competition of that year. D. KERAMITAS.

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### Mitsubishi Motors Wish You A Happy New Year.



ou are looking at the happy faces of the pioneers who were responsible for a landmark in Japan's industrial history: the 1917 Mitsubishi Model-A, the country's first series-production passenger car. Like a precious work of art, the Mitsubishi

engineers produced the Model-A with meticulous care, and coated its wooden body with traditional Oriental lacquer. And to its builders, it was very advanced, incorporating as it did the very best materials and technology available at the time. In fact, the car was the pride and joy of the Mitsubishi

pioneers, though we doubt any of them could have imagined the spiritual influence the Model-A would have over the Mitsubishi products that followed.

ver the years, Mitsubishi engineers have lived up to the Oexample set by their predecessors, building a reputation for innovation and quality and establishing a tradition of firsts for the company-producing Japan's first diesel bus and 4WD diesel passenger car, for example.

nd today, our engineers have access to the knowhow and tech-A nologies developed by other Mitsubishi companies, many of them leaders in their field, that gives us an added advantage. Take

the Mitsubishi MP-90X, which incorporates the latest aerodynamic. electronic and materials technologies. This prototype for the

automotive future was conceived to provide the ultimate benefits that the drivers of the world will soon be enjoying.

T n design and engineering, Mitsubishi Motors is carrying on with the same pioneer-

ing spirit it had 70 years ago.







#### ARTS/LEISURE

# Picking Up On Designer Looks

By Kate Singleton FASHION designer Giorgio Armani certainly knows how

to communicate with style. Notturno" is the name of the new telephone he has designed for Italtel. Italy's state-owned telephone company. It is a sleek, black parallelepiped that should look nice with your acket, though it may not fit your hand as well as yesteryear's boring old ergonomic receiver.

As the name suggests, Notturno's speciality is its performance at night. You can turn down the sound and in-coming calls will set an elegant strip of lights in the handpiece flashing.

For some years now, fashion designers have been imbuingeveryday objects with style. Pierre Cardin (né. Piero Cardin) is the past master of this art. He has more than 500 es throughout the world, There are Pierre Cardin lighters, pens for all purses (and purses for all pens) ranging from the gilded and lacquered to the jauntily plas-tic, and other items of stationery. Then there are household goods

FEEL UP TO SEEING JEREMY CAVENDISH,

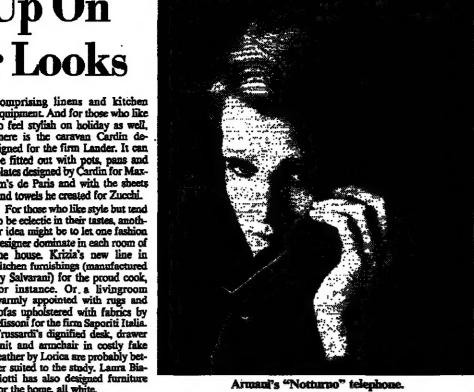
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equipment. And for those who like to feel stylish on holiday as well, there is the caravan Cardin designed for the firm Lander. It can be fitted out with pots, pans and plates designed by Cardin for Max-im's de Paris and with the sheets and towels he created for Zucchi.

to be eclectic in their tastes, another idea might be to let one fashion designer dominate in each room of the house. Krizia's new line in kitchen furnishings (manufactured by Salvarani) for the proud cook, for instance. Or a livingroom warmly appointed with rugs and sofas uphoistered with fabrics by Misson for the firm Saporiti Italia. Trussardi's dignified desk, drawer unit and armchair in costly fake leather by Lorica are probably better suited to the study. Laura Bia-giotti has also designed furniture for the home, all white.

On the other hand, Gianfranco Ferré has approached the subject of home furnishing with a welcome touch of irony. He has designed



Cheeses, for example, could be a

ones, with waxy outer coatings,

already perfected monogrammed, plastified materials for their hand-

three outfits (a smart, shiny evening one, a warm, woolly winter one and a cool, pale linen summer one) with which to dress a line in soft seating designed for B&B Ita-

> As for the bathroom, there's a range of styles to choose from, as befits so personal a domain. Surfaces can be tiled by Krizia, Valentino, Roberta di Camerino, Biag-giotti, Versace and others. The place can be adorned with towels by Ken Scott, Pierre Balmain or Valentino, who also sign coordinat-ed bed linen. Then there are soap dishes, cotton-wool holders, comb cases, powder compacts, shower s, bathmats and bathrobes, all of them designed by Enrico Co-

Despite the all-pervading nature of fashion, however, there are still one or two areas left that might benefit from its improving atten-tions. Fashion designers have made sir-hostesses and stewards look at girls who wear glasses" is evistylish, but bus conductors, railway ticket inspectors, the police and the nursing profession have been less of designers, from Dior to Missoni fortunate. And designer garb for or Roberta di Camerino. For some gardeners could in its turn lead to strange reason, however, other neciesigner spades, forks, trowels, hoes, indeed hose (a mere homonymic sidestep from the sheer or aids are to the ear what glasses are lacy variety), dibbing sticks and secateurs. Designers whose names bring to mind particular colors or color melanges might look into the possibility of creating seed kits that ultimately would provide recognizable beds and borders.

matter. Perhaps it's only a matter Kate Singleton is a Milan-based varialist who writes frequently on

the way through.

# When Only the Best Will Do

By Joseph Fitchett International Herald Tribone ONDON - London's snobs, who speak English as to the mannerism born, publish rather than perish as world arbiters of taste. Their new superlative sally is

Courvoisier's Book of the Best,

which claims to be the ultimate

global guide to what's IN now." Armed with this, traveling yappies can be confident of patronizing (or at least dropping the names of) the right restaurants and spas, the hottest party-givers and the most select sports clubs. Glibly, the authors make light of their own claims to be right: "The Guinness Book of Records' settles argu-

ments, this book will start them."

"Courvoisier's Best" lives up to its claim to be global. For 200 cities all over the world it lists the two or three top restaurants, hotels, beaucians, sports and clubs. Everything you need for a successful 48hour stopover, accompanied by witty advice about local customs and affectations. Nepal, for example, is the venue for one of the best sports events: elephant polo. "Picdone anything very much about ture, if you can, a curious gathering food yet either, which is curious of elephants, elongated polo sticks considering how much effort goes and a sea of internationally known into making the table look nice. faces. Each December, the World Elephant Polo Championships take place in the Royal Chitwan Napromising area for development. place in the Royal Chitwan Na-The Dutch cheeses, or the Pyrénées tional Park." A merry band of celebs takes over the Tiger Tops Juncould be enhanced in the hands of gle Lodge. "Go via ExplorAsia (see



Travel section)," says Courvoisier's estate and get-away spots, yacht sports section, which is presided charter, shopping and more shopover by the racing-car star Stirling ping.

Angeles; Okura, Tokyo; Hotel du Cap, Cap d'Antibes; Regent, Syd-

field, a cousin of Queen Elizabeth

clude many profession

trash can, as well as such extravagant monuments as William K. Vander-bilt's Marble House, created for his wife at Newport, Rhode Island, in 1892,

is promising a European edition. Authors tend to agree that a mixture of fantasy and social insocurity create the market for such instructive volumes,

fantasy and social insecurity create the market for such instructive vo and that things are clearly going to get bester before they get worse.

Official denials of food shortages brought

her family bought at best a couple of

bitter laughs from consumers. A woman said

Moss.

Naturally, it runs hit-parades of the best, with all the usual suspects on parade. For example, it rates the world's best health farms in this order. The Golden Door, California; Intercontinental Spa, Fort Landerdale, Florida; Shrublands Hall Health Clinic, Suffolk, Florida; Shrublands Hall Health Clinic, Shrublands Hall Health Health Clinic, Shrublands Hall Health Health Health H gland; Les Près et les Sources, En-génie-les-Bains, France; The Green Briar, West Virginia; Tokyo Ondress in the morning, and they devise a matching make-up") to Houston (Clay Ellison Studios: "Some people think this man is the best make-up man in the world"), sen-Diamond Sps, Tokyo.
Its ranking of the world's best hotels is: Mandarin, Hong Kong; plus all the more obvious people in Oriental, Bangkok; Connaught, London; Cipriani, Venice; Carlyle, New York; Beverly Wilshire, Los

If you are in a town where the concierge is your only speaking ac-quaintance, the guide tells you who to call to give a great party for cap, Cap d'Antibes; Regent, Syd-yourself or your cause. The lists of ney; Regent, Melbourne.

The contributors to "Courvoi-gy Mulholland in New York, Peter sier's Best" headed by Lord Lich-Rowland in Melbourne or, in London, Party Planners run by Lady II (no ratings for best queen), in-Elizabeth Anson, who is involved

in up to 14 parties (underlined) a living. Experts such as the food day.

The guide's staple fare is the usual gamut of services in the world's "foodie") and Jasper Conran, fash-The guide's staple fare is the usumajor cities: restaurants and tai-lors, hotels and sports chubs, real founder Terence Couran, are sec-

onded by the likes of Giorgio Ar-mani, Bill Blass, Michael Broad-bent, David Hicks, Charlotte Rampling and Peter Ustinov.

Not just list-makers, Courvoisier's best people distill some worldly wisdom about modern manners. Of restaurant waiters, the British socialite and owner of Annabel's (best nightchib), Mark Birley says: "The best service is service gladly given. If something's wrong with the food, you want to be able to complain without some stroppy waiter going away in high dud-

Taki, the Greek-born London wit, deplotes tax-deductible charity balls, which he claims have ruined the New York season. Fund-raising, he says are "a way Americans have found to social climb." People put themselves on committees to hold parties to which they can invite themselves with the best people they would like to meet. As a result, he says, "Nobody gives parties anymore. You don't see anyone you know. You just see hundreds of thousands of New Yorkers push-

Naturally, the information in "Courvoisier's Best" is usually wrong about any place you actually know. But snobbery has its advantages. The lists are so short that there is no room for stressful worrying about choices between rival



#### General News

OKAY, HOLD ON TO YOUR HAT!

### Mine Kills 4 Lebanese Militiamen

BEIRUT — A mine planted by Moslem militiamen killed four laraeli-backed Lebanese militiamen and wounded two others in southern Lebanon in apparent revenge for Israeli helicopter raids a day earlier, the South Lebanon Army

Israeli belicopters attacked Moslem fundamentalist guerrilla bases just north of the Israeli border Sunday, wounding at least 15 persons. in response to guerrilla attacks Friday on an Israeli-backed militia.

A statement from the Israelibacked South Lebanon Army said the four men died when their ar-

Meanwhile, revenge killings and kidnappings continued in West Beirut despite high-level contacts to avert a confrontation between Moslem Shiite and Druze militiamen, which are both pro-Syrian

The authorities said hundreds of Shiite Amai and Druze Progressive Socialist Party militiamen set up checkpoints and kidnapped several people from each other's groups.

The incidents apparently were triggered by the killing Saturday of two Progressive Socialist Party mi-litiamen in the southern coastal suburb of Khaide.

The Druze blamed Amal, which

In Tel Aviv, a spokeswoman for the Israeli Defense Forces said that "it's very probable" the attack in south Lebanon was in retaliation for Sunday's Israeli raids on suspected camps of Hezboliah, or the Party of God.

Hezbollah is an extremist Shilte Moslem group loyal to Iran. ■ Beirat Kidnapping

The Lebanese Christian director of an engineering consulting company was kidnapped Monday in cleared the meeting with the Vati-West Beirut, the police told Ren-can since he felt Vatican guidelines

The four kidnappers intercepted Saba Daoud Abdo, 56, as he drove to work, according to the police.

Mr. Saba, director-general of the Dar al-Handasa company, is one of the Beirut company's 23 partners. He is a Christian Lebanese of Palestinian origin.

Dar al-Handasa issued a state-ment saying it would close its Beirut offices and dismiss its employees if Mr. Saba was not freed.

Cardinal John J. O'Connor, left, with Foreign Minister Shimon Peres.

# Vatican Accepts Cardinal's Meetings

Holy See Says Visits in Jerusalem Were 'Acts of Courtesy'

By Roberto Suro New York Times Service

ROME - The Vatican has described Cardinal John J. O'Connor's meetings with Israeli government leaders as "acts of courtesy" and said the encounters would not have a direct effect on the Holy See's relations with Israel.

A statement issued Sunday by the chief Vatican spokesman, Joaquin Navarro Valls, recalled that popes had dealt directly with senior Israeli officials in the past. The statement also noted that "problems" between the Vatican and Israel were "dealt with in the proper

Cardinal O'Connor met Sunday night with President Chaim Herzog of Israel after resolving a diplomatic impasse over the circumstances of such an encounter.

The two met for an hour at the president's mansion, a building used by Mr. Herzog as a home and office. The cardinal said he had not permitted him to visit Mr. Herzog

A senior Vatican official said Cardinal O'Connor, the archbishop of New York, did not seek specafic Vatican approval of his plans.
Asked whether the Vatican approved of the meeting and a similar encounter Monday with Foreign Minister Shimon Peres, the official said: "It is not a matter of approval or disapproval but of understand-

ing the very difficult situation Car-dinal O'Corner Plant 1

being pushed very hard to do something." But he added that the Vatican wanted "to make it very clear that these are not significant diplomatic occasions, that nothing of substance is going to be resolved."

Shortly after arriving in Israel on Thursday, the cardinal publicly apologized for having canceled appointments to see several senior Israeli officials in their Jerusalem offices. He said he had done so after learning that the Vatican opposed such encounters because it did not recognize Jerusalem as the Israeli

Despite many requests by Israeli and American Jewish leaders the Vatican has refused to engage in full diplomatic relations with Israel. The Holy See's rejection of Isracl's claim to Jerusalem as its capital is tied to an insistence that the city be the subject of an "international ly guaranteed statute" protecting it as a holy city for Christians, Mos-

The change of plans provoked a dispute in which many Israelis as well as American Jewish leaders asserted that the Vatican had forced Cardinal O'Connor to soub

■ Visit to Refugee Camps After seeing Mr. Peres on the last day of his five-day trip to Israel,

Cardinal O'Connor visited Pales-

The official said the Vatican was well aware that the cardinal was being pushed very hard to do some-

"primarily returning a very friend-ly, courteous visit" that Mr. Peres paid to him in New York last summer when Mr. Peres was prime ter. Mr. Peres invited the cardinal at the time to visit Israel.

On arriving in the Gaza Strip, one of the poorest and most densely populated areas in the Middle t, the cardinal visited a school and religious sites set up for the estimated 500,000 Palestinian refu-

Israel seized the Gaza Strip, a mously, according to the govern-narrow stretch of land along the ment's report. Mr. Ceansescu low-Mediterranean coast, from Egypt ered the voting age for the in the 1967 Middle East war and occasion, and children from age 14 has held it under military occupa- voted in school.

#### By Henry Kamm New York Times Service told to put in a regular workday. Many retired people were told by neighbors that they did not need to

The voting was surrounded by a hage propaganda campaign. Mr.

the radio and dominated the two

A foreign reporter was told at the

Petroleum Extraction and Food In-

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**BUCHAREST** — With winter hard upon them, Romanians are vote, and that their bailots, on once again experiencing the drastic which voters put their names and addresses, had been cast for them. energy shortage that has made them shiver in barely heated and Of a nation of more than 22 dimly lighted homes and workmillion, with 17.7 million eligible places through the past two winvoters, all but 228 people voted and ters, even more so than in the winall votes were in favor, the govern-

Shortages of all foods, in a country that is one of Europe's tradiimpression of citizens perennially standing in line with empty shopping bags and returning home with the bags scarcely fuller.

Romanians are still required to give the leader, Nicolae Ceausescu, and his wife, Elena, the country's second-most-powerful person, ges-tures of enthusiastic approval that contrast with the hardships of more than 21 years of Ceausescu rule.

In the view of Romanians who risk taking visitors or foreign diplo-mats into their confidence, the daily hardships and stern constraints on liberties dim the achievement for which Mr. Ceausescn is bestknown abroad — a foreign policy somewhat independent of the Sovi-

A special plebiscite in November typified both aspects of Mr. usescu's absolute rule. When the Soviet Union raised its military spending 6 percent, he announced that he was cutting Romania's armed forces, their equipment and budget by 5 percent.

Then he ordered a plebiscite to approve his decision. Romanians reported to their jobs on a Sunday, the only day off from their 46-hour workweek, and voted yes unani-

ages. Both ministries are said to have fulfilled or surpassed their production plans, which theoretically provide for the needs of all A director at the Food Ministry, Ion Ruiann, denied that there were

shortages, although he said that there might be occasional, brief shortcomings in distribution. Asked about the food lines, which begin before dawn and con-

pounds of bones, the product that was most frequently available in butcher shops. Ceausescu's image was even more that life would continue to be diffiin evidence than usual. His words cult for at least five years and that

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who spoke anonymously. He said

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were inscribed on many walls, and his name resounded all day from export production would remain the top priority during that period.
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ated at its peak at \$14 billion. The cost of this financial success has been evident disregard of basic consumer needs. Meat and dairy products have virtually disappeared from family tables. Asked about the fact that the same people were often seen in line mon and evenings, Mr. Ruianu said they were hoarding, buying about four pounds (1.8 kilograms) of meat

twice daily. This brought bitter laughs from consumers. A woman said her family bought at best a couple of pounds of bones, the product that was most frequently available in

Romanians Shivering in a Gloomy Winter their machines or desks, most were several provincial cities, Mr. butcher shops. If the family is told to put in a regular workday. Ruianu said, "We consider that this lucky, she said, the bones were of is only an appearance, because the the better of two categories, with statistical data show that the conscraps of meat on them. scraps of meat on them.
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sumption of agricultural and food products increased every year in accordance with the needs of the woman said

Consumers reported that bread ngar, cooking oil and flour were He said surplus products were rationed, but that the small exported only after all domestic amounts of the rations were not always available. Cheese and butter have become almost unknown, a

Such former staples as Romanian ham, salami, canned meats and cheese are seen only in hardcurrency shops for foreigners. A saleswoman said flour, sugar and oil were also occasionally available for foreign currency, which Roma-

nians are forbidden to have. Despite the food shortages, Romania is stepping up its longstanding campaign to encourage women to have more children. For years, contraceptives and abortions have been unavailable and illegal, Illegal abortions have caused many

The government has stepped up-obligatory monthly medical checks of women at their workplaces to detect pregnancies and keep them from being interrupted.

Although minimal electricity is. expended to heat houses and workplaces, no energy is being spared on center of the capital and construct a vast avenue with government palaces and apartment buildings to mark what is officially called "t Ceausescu Epoch, the Age Gold."

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#### France Stops Official Visits to Australia Over New Cale

tinian refugee camps in the occu-pied Gaza Strip, United Press Inlian sources said.

French government has suspended He said that in recent months ministerial visits to Australia in re- Australia had "incessantly led a taliation for Canberra's support of systematic campaign against New Caledonian independence at French policy, despite the French the United Nations, Australian authorities willingness for talks government sources said here Mon- and attempts at an explanation."

Australian Foreign Ministry of The French government decision ficials said that relations between to suspend ministerial contact be- Capberra and Paris had reached tween the two countries will last their lowest point ever over the is-"until further notice," the Austra-lian sources said. donia, a Pacific island chain ad-In Paris, a French Foreign Min-ministered by France.

Curtis, had been summoned in late December by Foreign Minister Jean-Bernard Raimond of France.

Mr. Raimond told Mr. Curtis that the French government was concerned about Australia's strong support for New Caledonian inde-

Several South Pacific and Southeast Asian nations successfully moved in December to have the UN General Assembly reclassify New Caledonia as "a nonself goveming territory."

leading role in the UN move, which France had strongly opposed.

Australian government sources said Monday it was unlikely that a scheduled trip to Australia early next month by Gaston Flosse, th French secretary of state for South Pacific, would take place

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#### INTERNATIONAL STOCK MARKETS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 6, 1987

### Thai Bull Run Expected To Continue Well Into '87

· Compiled by Our Stuff From Dispatches

ANGKOK - The bull run of more than five months on ANGKOK — The bull run of more than five months on the Thai stock market is expected to continue at least until the middle of this year, according to local and foreign securities analysts and bankers. Maruay Phadungsith, president of the Securities Exchange of Thailand, said that falling domestic interest rates, high liquidity, a strong economy and growing foreign interest appear likely to continue. "I expect the uptrend to continue," he said, "although prices probably will not rise as steeply as during the past three months."

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The SET Index, an average of the 94 registered stocks listed on the market, rose more than 50 percent during the second half of last year, after declines of 2 percent in the first half and 5

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percent in 1985. On Friday, the first trading day of the year, the SET Index rose 1.96 to 209.16, its highest

level in seven years. Market capitalization reached 75.9 billion baht (\$2.92 billion). Mr. Marnay said that barring wild fluctuations in world

oil prices and interest rates, Thailand's economy would achieve the highest growth among South East Asian countries in 1987.

The Thailand Development Research Institute, a leading economic research body, forecast recently that Thailand would post growth in gross domestic product, the total output of goods and services minus operations from abroad, of 5.4 percent in 1987. adjusted for inflation. GDP grew 3.9 percent last year and 4

The institute's projection is based on expected growth of 6.2 percent in the manufacturing and service sectors this year, a further sharp overall increase in industrial exports and markedly higher levels of foreign investment, especially from Japan.

R. MARUAY SAID another positive factor had been persistent high liquidity in the local money market, which has an estimated surplus of 60 billion baht.

Bankers and economists said many Thais began investing their savings in stocks when interest rates paid by commercial banks fell to 20-year lows last year. One-year fixed deposits now earn interest of 7.25 percent, compared with 12 percent a year ago.

Steve Moir, head of the treasury unit at the local Citibank NA unit, said, "I'm quite bullish about the Thai stock market.

"There's been a strong run-up in the past three months and frankly, there's still a lot more to go.

"The current market advance is not so much a speculative rally as a steady boost by longer-termed investors based on good expectations and good fundamentals," he added.

Malcolm Fisk, chief Bangkok representative of National Australia Bank, said the rally showed that confidence had returned to the market, and that the 1984-1986 recession had been replaced by progressive economic growth.

"The present steady growth will continue," he said, "but I don't think it will become bigger and bigger without control."

The market was boosted in December when the government agreed to substitute a progressive tax of up to 55 percent on dividends from company stocks and debentures with a flat 15percent levy, bringing it into line with a similar tax on interest from bank deposits.

A government spokesman said the tax cut, which took effect on Jan. 1, is part of an official policy to promote the Thai equity

SET figures show that foreigners accounted for around 1.24 billion baht, or 7.11 percent, of turnover during the third quarter of 1986, up from 358 million baht, or 3.64 percent, a year earlier.

Foreigners face few restrictions in buying Thai shares.

Merrill Lynch Capital Markets and Cazenove & Co., which jointly lannehed the \$10 million Bangkok Fund, a portfolio investment vehicle for foreigners, in September 1985, are expect-See THAILAND, Page 9

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# New Offer In Fight For HWT

#### Fairfax Bids For Queensland

SYDNEY - The battle between Rupert Murdoch and Robert Holmes à Court for Australia's largest media group took a new turn Monday when another con-tender bid 910 million Australian dollars (about \$600 million) for a company with a major stake in the takeover target.

John Fairfax Ltd. launched a bid

for the Brisbane-based Queensland Press, a key abareholder in Herald & Weekly Times Ltd., which is sought by the two Australian ty-

Queensland sent Sunday by Fair-fax, a media giant whose flagship is the Sydney Morning Herald. The letter was made public Monday.

Fairfax's two key conditions are that Queensland Press accepts a cash offer from Mr. Holmes a Court's J.N. Taylor Holdings of 13.50 dollars a share for its stake in HWT and that the J.N. Taylor offer allows HWT to accept the Fair-fax bid for Queensland Press. Queensland Press controls 24 percent of HWT, while HWT in

turn holds 48.3 percent of Queens-

Queensland Press, which publishes morning and afternoon daily newspapers in Brisbane and holds radio and regional newspaper interests in Queensland, has not yet replied. There was also no immediate comment from Mr. Murdoch or Mr. Holmes à Court.

The HWT board has already agreed to back Mr. Holmes a Court's bid of 2.1 billion Australian dollars, which topped Mr. Murdoch's by 235 million dollars. The board's support for the Holmes à Court bid, however, was contingent upon not getting a bet-ter offer.

Mr. Murdoch, owner of the world's targest media empire, has said he would take the issue directly to HWT abareholders. Fairfax offered 20 dollars for

each Queensiand Press share, making the bid worth 910 million dol-

Gardiner, said that Mr. Holmes Court had indicated that he would vary the terms of his bid for HWT to permit it to accept the Fairfax offer. Fairfax has bitterly attacked Mr. Murdoch's takeover attempt, which it said would lead to a monopoly of 75 percent of the Austra-(Reuters, AFP)

#### Saudi Defends **Budget Decision** To Tap Reserves

RIYADH - Saudi Arabia's defense minister said in re-marks published Monday that the kingdom's decision to draw down reserves to cover a pro-jected \$14 billion budget deficit in 1987 was the best of three

possible options.

According to Prince Sultan bin Abdul Aziz, who was quoted in two Arabic language newspapers in Riyadh, the other possibilities were to borrow funds or combine new taxes with a cut in subsidies on food, suimal fodder and medicine.

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The 1987 budget, unveiled last week, set spending at 170 billion Sandi riyals (\$45.3 billion), far higher than expected, and projected a 52.72 billion riyal deficit. It was the first time to dip into reserves, estimated at around \$90 billion.

Before details were release King Fahd had assured the na-tion that basic subsidies would

not be cut. Prince Sultan said that, despite criticism from some peo-ple in the kingdon, the decision to draw down reserves was the easiest and best method available to bridge the projected budget shortfall.

Only about half of the Saudi reserve is thought to be in the form of liquid assets.

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Two Chinese take home newly purchased Japanese television sets.

### China's Long March to Consumerism

#### Thrift, Austerity No Longer Keys To the Good Life

By Jim Mann Los Angeles Times Service BEIJING — It is a typical Thursday night in the Yueyou (Happy Friend bar and café) in the center of Beijing, Stevie Wonder's "I Just Called to Say I Love You" is playing in the background and all the tables and booths are occupied.

The crowd is entirely Chinese.

Many are well-dressed young professionals. Some of them have wandered in from the concert hall next door.

They are doing something their parents' generation never would have dreamed of -- blowing a bit of their own money on beer, wine and night life.

A few blocks away, in the state-owned Modern Times cocktail lounge, He Wenzhong, an official at Radio Beijing in a well-tailored suit, sips from his

can of Japanese Asahi beer and explains his philosophy of finance: "When you put money in the bank, you get nothing. When you spend it, you enjoy life. Peo-ple are working harder now and they want to enjoy life."

Such feelings are an outgrowth of China's ongoing economic re-forms. The gradual lifting of price controls in China and the continuing inflation that has ac-companied it have brought the first stirrings of a consumer society in the world's most populous

Old notions of thrift and susterity are being cast aside. Not only common street wisdom, but some of China's prominent economists are spreading the notion that spending money is not such a bad thing

"The concept of consumption should be changed," Li Yining a Beijing University economics professor, said in an interview with the government-run news-paper China Youth News last

for high-grade commodities, abould not be regarded as extrav-

The Chinese, particularly the young, are heeding the advice. Signs of consumerism are every-

Sales of color television sets were up by 50 percent for the first half of 1986 over the like period in 1985, and sales of re-frigerators were up by 45 per-cent. Chinese department stores have also put a few videocassette recorders on display.

A few years ago, foreigners stationed in China were asked to buy basic items in short supply, such as cooking oil or beer, for their Chinese friends. Now, it is not uncommon for a new request to be added to the list: a loan of videotapes.

Over the last few months, more and more young Chinese women in major cities have begun to wear lipstick, makeup, shoes with narrow high heels and Hong Kong-style fashions. For ese men, the sign of status is See CHINA, Page 13

# To **OPEC** Pact **On Fixed Prices**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches MANAMA, Bahrain - Iraq has adopted a fixed-price system for most of its crude-oil contracts that said Iraqi output would be around is in line with last month's OPEC 1.8 million barriels a day in January agreement, an official of Iraq's state Oil Marketing Organization said Monday. He added that the

prices were effective from Jan. 1. Iraq refused to sign the agreement by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, saying that it restricted the country to an unacceptably low level of produc-

announced Monday to implement the OPEC accord. That agreement aims to raise oil prices to around \$18 a barrel by cutting production 7.25 percent to 15.8 million barrels a day in the first half of this year. The Middle East Economic Sur-

vey said Monday that at least six other OPEC members have notified clients of new, increased crude oil prices: Saudi Arabia, Iran, Ku-wait, the United Arab Emirates, Nigeria and Algeria.
Oman, although it is not a mem-

ber of OPEC, has told its customers to be prepared to renegotiate contracts along OPEC lines, the survey

The OPEC agreement has al-ready boosted levels on the spot market by about \$3 a barrel, and Britain's main Brent grade for Feb-ruary delivery traded Monday at around \$18.20.

The Iraqi official said his country's Kirkuk oil was now priced at 517.60 a barrel and Basra Light at \$17.30. Most OPEC producers are fixing prices from Feb. 1. The Middle East Economic Sur-

vey said, meanwhile, that Iraq would continue to ignore OPEC

rules on production.
On Dec. 20 OPEC established a production quots for Iraq of 1.46 million barrels a day, rejecting Baghdad's demand for parity with Iran, its enemy in the Gulf war.

cial adviser, Morgan Grenfell Group, a leading London merchant

bank, severed its ties with Guin-

The move by Morgan Grenfell came a few days after reports that

Guinness allegedly supplied funds for a £7.6 million purchase of 2.15

million of its own shares around

the time of the takeover bid, in a

Iran received a quota of 2.25 million barrels a day.

The Cyprus-based newsletter and rise to 2 million barrels a day in February, when the east-west pipe-line across Saudi Arabia to the Red

Sea is expanded.
The oil journal said Iraq's output capacity was expected to climb to around 2.5 million barrels a day by the end of the second quarter of this year, explaining that 500,000 barrels a day are scheduled to be added to the Iraqi-Turkish pipe-

In other developments Monday:

The Middle East Economic
Survey said that the Abu Dhabi
Department of Petroleum had told foreign partners in its two main producing companies, ADCO and ADMA-OPCO, that fixed prices for oil they lift for their own use would start as of Jan. 1.

Abu Dhabi announced an increase of \$1.15 a barrel in the price of its crude oil pumped in December. Its main Murban grade rises to \$15.55, compared with the \$17.92 it

must charge by Feb. 1.

Saudi Arabia notified its customers of a further 10-percent cut in contract volumes for January, over and above a 10-percent reduction announced last month.

 Kuwait canceled two crude-oil term contracts from the end of January because the customers did not accept the fixed price stipulated by OPEC, a Kuwaiti official said. The customers were not identified.

• In Jakarta, Mines and Energy

Minister Subroto said that Indonesia would raise its oil price by more than \$4 a barrel over the next two

Speaking after a meeting with President Subarto. Mr. Subroto said Indonesia would raise its price from \$13.50 a barrel to \$16.28 in January and \$17.56 in February.

(Reuters, AP, UPI)

#### U.K. Reserves Fell \$83 Million

In December Agence France-Presse

LONDON - Britain's curency reserves fell by \$83 million in December to \$21.92 billion, the Treasury said on

But it said that extraordinary tems, such as repayment of debt and new loans in the public sector, reduced the reserves by \$179 million. Otherwise, they would have risen by \$96 million, which would have been

Analysts said the reversal of the trend reflected positive sentiment about sterling because of firmer oil prices, a weaker dol-lar, and a better showing in opinion polls for the governing

#### Pressure Mounting on Guinness Chief to Resign By Steve Lohr Saunders were forced to resign Monday to 294 pence. New York Times Service Guinness would miss his marketing Guinness' institutional shareand cost-cutting skills. Last week, the company's finan-

LONDON - The chairman of Guinness PLC, the big British brewer that is the target of a gov- government investigation could ernment investigation, will face in-

Guinness chairman, returned to work Monday from a holiday in Switzerland and will soon meet with company directors amid fresh allegations of questionable actions by the management during its £2.7 billion (\$4 billion at current exchange rates) takeover last year of Distillers Co.

The current investigation by Britain's Department of Trade and Industry is focusing on share dealings during the bitterly contested takeover battle for Distillers, which Guitness won over a rival bid from Argyll Group PLC.

Mr. Saunders will face a special committee of outside directors who have been hearing a rising chorus anarenoiders. The company's stock price has fallen sharply since the government investigation began a month ago, even though Guinness announced in mid-December that its pretax profits had nearly trebled to more than £241 million in the significant is guilty of misconduct."

Guinness has hundreds of institutional shareholders, according to a company spokesman, with the largest being Prudential Assurance and Warburg Investment Management. Prudential supported Assurance to more than £241 million in the

year ended last September. In December, the Guinness share-price dropped from 330 investigation, but are now with-pence a share to 288 pence. Signifi-cantly, the stock rallied 12 pence to tions until the fate of the compa-300 pence last Friday on rumors my's management and the outcome that Mr. Saunders will soon be re- of the government inquiry are clari-

holders worry that the widening take several months, with the comcreasing pressure this week to resign, according to some of the company's large shareholders.

Ernest Saunders, the 51-year-old Guinness chairman, returned to tive, and refuse to judge his actions in the takeover before the government inspectors reach a dec

But several questioned the wis-dom of allowing Mr. Saunders to remain chief executive. One fund manager, who asked not to be iden-tified, observed: "Guinness is a public company, and perceptions matter. And if its business prospects are brighter and market value are higher without Saunders than with him, he should go."

Yet Mr. Saunders also has supporters. One fund manager, for example, said that despite apparent forcers in judgment," Mr. Saunders "deserves to remain as chairman unless it is actually prov-

ment. Prudential supported Argyll's rival bid for Distillers.

Many securities analysts recom-



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fied. "The main uncertainty is whether Ernest Saunders stays or goes," noted Roderick McKelvie. an analyst for Fielding Newsonmith & Co.

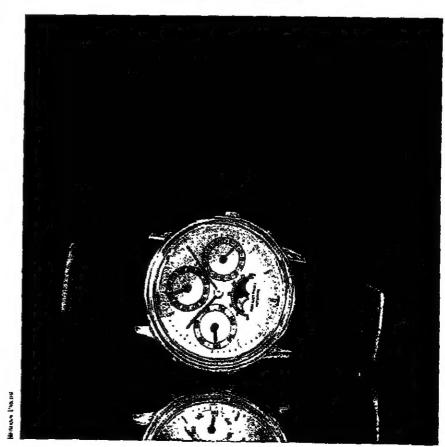
Roger Seelig, one of Morgan Grenfell's top merger specialists, resigned from the firm last Tuesday, following charges that he served as a go-between in the al-leged Guinness buying of its own

Guinness reportedly arranged for a nominee group to buy its shares and, afterward, the compamy bought its shares from the third Some analysts stress that if Mr. party at above-market prices.

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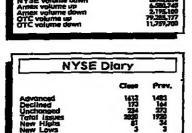
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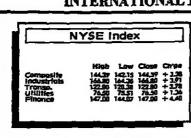
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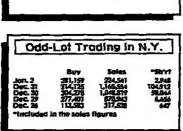
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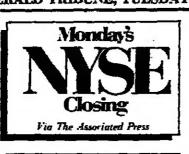
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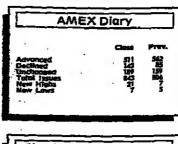


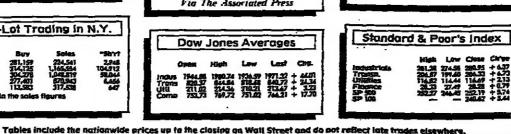






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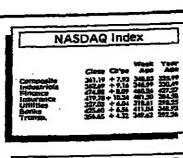
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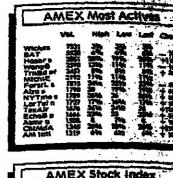
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# Dow Soars to Close at New High

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
NEW YORK — The New York Stock Exchange's main barometer soured a record 44.01 points Monday to close at 1,971.32, a new high. Dealers said the gains were fueled by a strong bond market and the lifting of tax-related in-

tentives to sell.

The Dow Jones industrial average surpassed its previous high of 1,955.57, set Dec. 2. The previous record single-day gain was 43.41, set Nov. 3, 1982.

The Dow has risen more than 75 points in the

first two trading days of the year, or 5.3 percent of its value. Monday's gain represented 2.3 percent of the Dow's value.

Advances led declines Monday by more than

million. "We could be seeing a delay in our year-end rally," said Alfred Goldman of A.G. Edwards & Sons in St. Louis. "The typical Christmas cheer didn't show up in 1986, and this created a high level of short-term skepticism and a high level of sideline cash two investigates you need for a of sideline cash, two ingredients you need for a

"The question," said Michael Metz of Op-penheimer, said, "is if this is just a reaction to the extreme oversold condition of late December or does it mark an upturn. The question is

One trader said, "Some people felt the missed the big move on Friday and they didn't want to miss it again." On Friday the Dow gained more than 31 points.

There is a lot of cash out there." He added: "What we want to see is not only a

advancing issues over declines."

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9-to-1 among the issues traded.

A total of 181.85 million shares changed

hands, almost double Friday's volume of 91.88

He said the sharp advance was fueled by a good bond marker, buy programs that started it going and heavy institutional buying.

"Then it fed on itself and was supported by a very positive advance-decline ratio," Mr. Gold-

"My feeling is that this momentum will carry the market higher over the next week or two" before some technical and fundamental prob-25th AllsC pf

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"What we're seeing is a continuation of what started Friday," said Ralph Acampora, an analyst with Kidder, Peabody. "We have a lifting of all that tax-related selling pressure and seasonally this is a time the market starts to advance.

new high in the Dow, but a broadness in the market, which appears to be the case with lots of

was on Friday, indicating that the institutions are more active, and there is certainly more buying.
They have money in their closets and they're

pending it." Hildegard Zagorski of Prudential Bache Se-curities said, "An affirmative bond market, a lot of liquidity out there and some good buy programs this morning set the momentum for this

market The fact that the market popped higher on the first day of the New Year indicates that the market had been depressed by tax selling at the end of 1986 and that without that pressure the market is free to go its merry way.

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# 150 K marts to Get Banking Outlets

DEARBORN, Michigan -First Nationwide Bank, a unit of Ford Motor Co., and K mart Corp. announced Monday a program to place at least 150 additional bank-

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The new branches will be at stores in California, Florida, Missouri, New York, Ohio and Pennsylvania. Neither company would give a cost, but they said the investment was minimal

Under the agreement with K mart, the second-largest U.S. retail-er after Sears, Roebuck & Co., First Nationwide will open about 100 of the branches.

The remainder will be opened by First Nationwide Network, a 44member group of locally owned and financial institutions that is affiliated to First National Bank. Another 150 branches a year could be added in 1988 and 1989,

Campeau to Sell

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# Banks to Weigh Rescheduling

24 Divisions NEW YORK - Campean Corp. plans to sell 16 of Allied Stores Corp.'s 24 store divisions during the next two years to repay \$1.1 billion in bank loans rom its \$3.4 billion acquisition

Campeau has filed documents with the Securities and Exchange Commission disclosing its plans to sell such divisions as Bonwit Teller, Garfinkel's, Plymouth Shops and Josko's, a spokeswoman said.

Campean plant to retain the Ann Taylor and Brooks Brothers chains, in addition to Stern's, Mass Brothers, The Bon and Jordan Marsh-New England department store

The merged company would own 269 department and specially stores after the planned sales. It now holds 698 stores.

COMPANY NOTES

\$10.4 million

in its second quarter, ended Dec. 31. That amount is

equal to the cost of exercising reporchase rights to products contained in Censs Healthcare Limited Part-

W Scientific Inc., a California-based manufacturer of

capillary columns used in gas chromatography, for

Fletcher Challenge Ltd. has extended to Feb. 5 its takeover offer for N.Z. Forest Products Ltd., which was made through its wholly owned unit, Dransfield Investments Ltd. The offer was due to end Monday.

Gulf Air, a Middle Eastern sirline that posted a loss last year, has fired about 60 cabin-crew members to

cut costs, industry sources said. Gulf Air's plan to fire 550 workers, about 10 percent of its work force, caused

a furor in Bahrain at the end of 1986 when 91 dismiss-

First Nationwide's chairman, Anthony M. Frank, said.
"Using K mart's facilities, we've been able to substantially reduce

ing centers in K mart stores this Belgian Banks Discuss Revised Cockerill Loan

> BRUSSELS — Major Belgian vision of the terms of a 27-billion-pending on locality. Belgian franc (\$6.75 billion) loan to Cockerill-Sambre SA, the state-controlled steel company, a finance ministry spokesman said Monday.
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> This is what we can markening to the masses." K mart's chairman, Bernard M. Fauber, said.
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> He said that although no formal

> Negotiations with the govern- studies had been made, he believed ment are expected to be completed that in-store banks would lead to by the middle of this month. The more dollars being spent at K marthoan is in three tranches each for 23
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> He said he viewed the expansion years. The company is expected to only as an added benefit to K mart

along to customers," he said. The agreement allows First Na-

tionwide to open branches at about half of what a stand-alone operation would cost, he said.

Mr. Frank said the branches, which offer all banking services except safe deposit boxes, will enable First Nationwide to offer interest rates of 30 to 40 basis points, or banks are discussing a possible rehigher than prevailing rates, dehundredths of a percentage point,

"This is what we call marketing

report a 1986 loss up to 6 billion shoppers and has "not given much francs and recently won union approval to lay off 2,000 of its 15,000 with Sear's Financial Services, run by Sears Roebuck

#### Wheeling Head Quits, Sells Stake

The Associated Press PITTSBURGH - Allen E. Paulson said he resigned Mon-day as chairman of Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corp. after selling his 34.2-percent interest to a director, 'Lloyd C. Lu-bensky, for about \$13.5 million.

Mr. Paulson said Mr. Lubensky stands to become the company's new chairman at a board meeting Wednesday in Pittsburgh.

Mr. Paulson, who is chairman of Gulfstream Aerospace Inc. of Savannah, Georgia, said he had sold the 1.75 million shares of common stock to offact capital losses and resigned because of pressure of work.

### Citicorp, Dai-Ichi Discuss Cash Service Linkup

NEW YORK - Two of the world's largest bank groups, Citi-teller proposal. corp of the United States and Dai-Ichi Kangyo Bank Ltd. of Ja- ing service and nothing more than pan, are discussing a project to that," he said.

make it possible for their customers "Citicorp made a proposal to us to use automatic teller networks in last fall for the limited exchange of each others' countries, the banks services but talks have not reached said Monday.

A Citicorp spokesman said the discussions have not covered other in the world with more than \$200 arrangements or services and are not related to Citicorp's planned introduction of its Citibank Mastercard in Japan this year.

Last week, the Tokyo newspaper Yomiuri Shimbun quoted informed sources as saying that an extensive tie-up had been arranged between the two banks, including credit cards and loans.

But Yuko Oana, managing direc-tor of Dai-Ichi's New York branch, industry, they said.

a conclusion as yet," he said.

Dai-Ichi, the largest bank group billion in assets, has 356 branches

Citicorp is the biggest U.S. bank group and one of the top five in the world, with \$186 billion in assets at Sept. 30. Citicorp has made no secret of its

desire to expand in Japan, analysts said, noting that its October board neeting was held in Tokyo. But it is still only a minor player

in the growing Japanese banking

said Monday that the two sides had Its operations in Japan are limit- Co., banking analysts said it could merely discussed the automatic ed to stockbroking via its Vickers contain mutual benefits for both da Costa Ltd. unit, along with con- organizations with little sacrifice. "We have just discussed a cash- sumer finance, investment banking

and loan-production units. At the time of the Tokyo board meeting, Citicorp described Tokyo as "an increasingly important franchise in Citicorp's growing presence within the dynamic Asia/Pa-

cific financial marketplace." While the potential linkup is on a far less grandiose scale than last Bank Ltd. and Goldman Sachs & help."

Analysts also saw potential advantages for Dai-Ichi, even though Mr. Oana said, "Citicorp has more to benefit in Japan than Dai-Ichi does in the U.S."

Stephen Berman of Nomura Securities International Inc. said. "Dai-Ichi doesn't have the same visibility as other Japanese banks ear's alliance between Sumitomo in the U.S., so anything would

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# Of Loans to Saudi Company

MANAMA, Bahrain - International banks will meet in Bahrain and shipping to coment. this weekend to try to recover loans of more than \$330 million that they made to Sandi Research & Development Corp., one of Sandi Arabia's most prominent private com-panies, bankers said Monday.

They said that a steering committee of seven banks would prescut creditors of the cosporation, known as REDEC, with a plan to reschedule its debt.

REDEC, whose majority owner is the businessman Ghaith Phar-son, suspended payments on its debt to more than 40 major iternational banks in December 1985. Interest payments ended last

Some banks have attempted, but

At the end of March, REDEC's direct debt to banks totaled 968.8 mittee are: Banque Indos

Cetus Corp. of Emeryville, California, expects to already one of the largest issuers of medium-term take a charge of about \$25.5 million against earnings notes in the United States.

Dusk Morgan Ltd. of Australia has agreed to ac-quire Johnson Matthey Commodities Ltd., a unit of Johnson Matthey Bankers Ltd., from the Bank of Northwestern Steel & Wire Co.'s board has agreed England, sources said.

General Motors Acceptance Corp. is arranging financing on the international capital markets that will enable it to offer at least \$1 billion of medium-term notes, banking sources in London said. GMAC is

Singapore Airlines is launching a worldwide search for flight crews to keep pace with expansion and to replace pilots who have retired. The surline is seeking about 100 captains, co-pilots and flight engineers.

REDEC is a huge conglomerate with interests ranging from hotels

It grew rapidly in the oil boom years of the late 1970s and early 1980s, then ran into problems as the region's economy declined.

The steering committee's rescheduling proposals will be dis-cussed by a full meeting of creditor banks on Jan. 10 and 11, the

That plan foresees the debt being repaid over 10 years at an interes rate of one-half percentage point over a reference level for rival deposits quoted in Bahrain.

Sources said the fact that no debt had been repaid since 1985, coupled with unsuccessful attempts to seize the company's assets, could mostly failed, in Saudi courts to attach REDEC assets to repay their loans.

prompt bankers to go along with the rescheduling, although some had serious doubts about it.

The banks on the steering commillion Saudi riyals (\$258.29 mil- France, Citibank, Bank of Boston lion at current exchange rates).

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of the United States, and Hongtaled a further 285.5 million rivals. kong & Shanghai Banking Corp.

Industrial Equity (Pacific) Ltd., a Hong Kong investment firm, told the U.S. Securities and Exchange

Commission that it had acquired 792,190 shares of

Calmet Co., or 5.34 percent of the total outstanding common stock. Industrial Equity said it bought the

to sell the Illinois company to a New York investor, Bennett S. Lebow, for \$165 million.

Rockwell International Corp. is seeking stockholder

authorization to issue a new class of common, Class A

stock that would entitle holders to 10 votes a share. If

the proposal is approved, the company said in Pitts-burgh, its board intends to declare a stock dividend on

one share of Class A common for each common share now outstanding - equivalent to a two-for-one stock

Seven-Up Co. will soon introduce a cherry-flavored

soft drink aimed at the U.S. youth market. Regular and diet forms of Cherry TUP are scheduled to be on

store shelves nationwide by early February. "Isn't it

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Share Capital and Reserves	47,953,777	42,943,804
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Loans and Advances	573,434,783	608,142,109
Total Assets	795,157,708	894,765,579

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lysts said. They said that almost all of the \$10 million had been invested, mostly since July, in about 15 That hlue-chip stocks.

Mr. Moir said he expects that Citicorp's London-based broker Vickers da Costa Ltd. and Industrial-Finance Cosp. of Thailand to announce shortly the launching of a Thailand Fund as an investment

vehicle for foreigners.
The fund will be managed by
Mutual Fund Co., an IFCT affiliate in which Vickers da Costa also holds shares.

Udom Vidhyapahi, managing di-rector of Mutual Fund, said in August that the Thailand Fund would baye initial capital of \$20 million to \$30 million and would seek a listing (Reuters, AFP)

Developers Buy

Emigrant of N.Y. New York Times Service NEW YORK - Emigrant Savings Bank, founded in the 1850s to provide loans for Irish

immigrants and now the 18thlargest U.S. bank, has been sold

to two New York real-estate developers. Seymour and Paul Milstein agreed last week to provide \$90 million in fresh capital to Emigrant to acquire the bank, the state banking department said. The bank had been unable to meet capital requirements of the Pederal Deposit Insurance

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#### EC, U.S. Officials to Meet On Threat of Trade War

BRUSSELS — Top European Community and U.S. officials will meet toward the end of this month to try to avert a trade war, an EC Commission spokeswoman said Monday.

She said the meeting was arranged during a telephone call made by the EC external affairs commissioner, Willy de Clercq, to the U.S. trade representative, Clayton K. Yeutter, in Washington.

The United States said Wednesday it will impose 200-percent import duties on a range of European imports unless the EC agrees to compensation for feed grain markets the United States lost when Spain joined the bloc last year. The duties, on gin. brandy, olives, certain white wines and cheeses, could cost the EC \$400 million a year.

Brussels has said it would immediately respond with parallel restrictions on U.S. exports of corn gluten animal feed, wheat and rice.

The spokeswoman said no date had been set for the meeting, which would invovle Mr. de Clercq, Mr. Yeutter, the EC farm commissioner, Frans Andriessen, and the U.S. agriculture secretary, Richard E. Lyng.

She said the meeting would be preceded by talks at expert level.

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To inaugurate its centennial year, the International Herald Tribune is proud to announce

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The July rededication of the Statue of Liberty in the New York harbor has focused new attention on the fact that the Statue was a gift to the United States from the people of France and that a broad cross section of the French public participated in the giving. A purely private organization, the Union Franco-Américaine was organized to raise the necessary funds and over 100,000 in dividual subscriptions were recorded from 181 towns throughout France. This collective outpouring of affection and goodwill from one people to another was truly unprecedented.

It therefore seemed natural to Americans then living in Europe to express their gratitude, and, in 1885, a group of them gave as a gift to the French people the reduced size replica of the Statue of Liberty which today stands in Paris on the Ile des

In this, the Statue of Liberty's centernial year, it seems appropriate that members and friends of the Franco-American community should make a similar gesture of gratitude and goodwill through an exciting project which has a similar sym-bolic importance: the creation of a new Paris Flame of Liberty, a striking public monument to be erected on a prominent site in Paris and consisting of a full-sized duplicate of the flame which now glistens atop the upraised arm of the New York

The International Herald Tribune, which entered its own one hundredth year in October of 1986, has decided to mark the conjunction of its centennial with that of the Statue of Liberty by sponsoring an international fundraisin peal to make this project possible.

In 1985, when restoration of the Statue of Liberty was started in New York, Les Métalliers Champenois, a group of outstanding French artisans, was asked to undertake the highly specialized work of Paris roots and of the warm relations we

building a new flame for the Statue, using a technique called "repousee," identical to Bartholdi's original method. Today, Les Métalliers Champenois

are ready to begin work on a second such flame, a full-sized replica of the first with the approval of the United States govemment and using the same molds that were created for the New York project. The duplicate flame will then be transported to France, where French officials have assured it a warm welcome at a prominent permanent site in Paris. There it will stand as a beautiful and highly visible monument, celebrating the spirit of Liberty and

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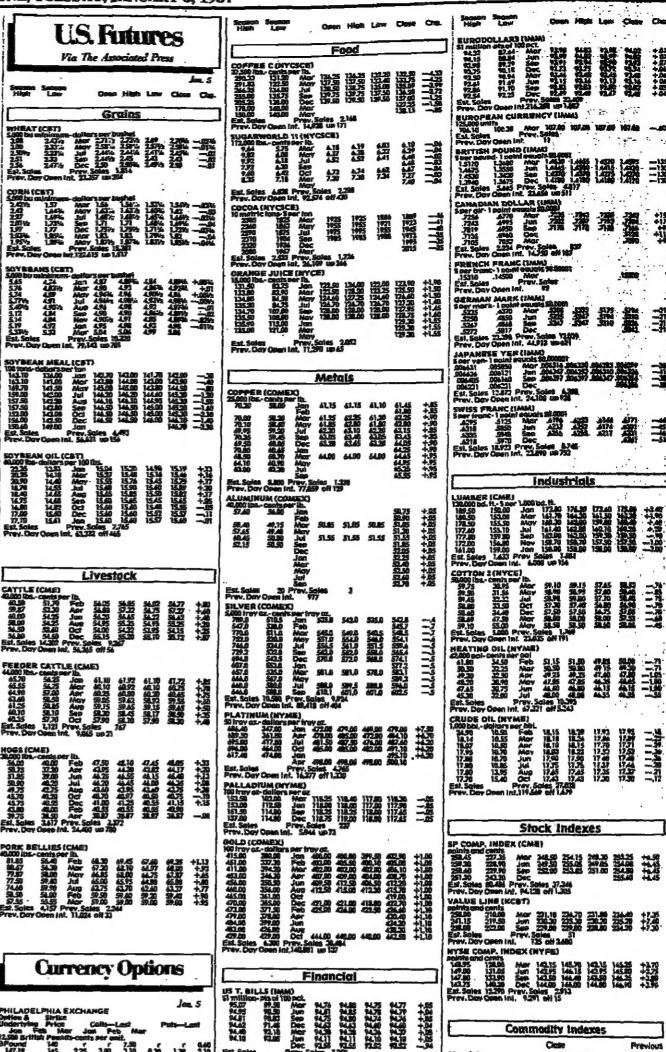
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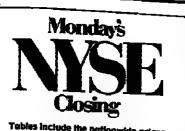
Yugoslavia to Modernize Its Telephone System

BELGRADE — Yngoslavia will invest more than \$1 billion in modernizing and expanding its telecommunications network, the official Tanjug news agency said Last year, 250,000 new telephone

lines were installed and 500,000 more will be operating by 1990, bringing the total to 4.1 million lines, it said.

EC Retail Prices Rise 0.1%

onds went to the United States, percent in the twelve months through November, Eurostat, the EC's statistics office, and Monday. but the largest growth in sales was recorded in Japan and Hong Kong, the institute said Sunday.



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10.45 FRENCH INSTITUTIONAL INVESTOR PANEL: Inclustry
Group Selections for Stock Market Performance In
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Crédit Agricole, Crédit Lyonnois,
Groupe Victoire, Société Générale.

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IS THERE A MEANINGFUL CHANGE IN NATIONAL
ATTITUDES TOWARDS BUSINESS IN FRANCE?
Guest speaker:
David de Rothschild, Chairman, Rothschild &
Associéts Barroue.

14.45 FRENCH INSTITUTIONAL INVESTOR STRATEGY AND
SELECTIONS ON THE PARIS BOURSE.
Panel participants: AXA, Crédit Commercial de
France, Crédit du Nord.

16.15 LATEST COMPANY DEVELOPMENTS.

16.45 OPPORTUNITES IN FRENCH TECHNOLOGY.
Jacques Maisortrouge, General Manager of
Frances Inclusity Ministry, former Chairman and CEO
of IBM World Trade Corp.

17.30 Cocktails

FEBRUARY 10
09.00 THE ECONOMIC OUTLOOK FOR FRANCE.
Edouard Balladur, French Minister of Economy,
Finance and Privalization.

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PERSPECTIVES.
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# chev. Dollar's Rebound Called Technical Again Raises

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NEW YORK — The dollar
Speed higher Monday in what
dealers called a technical rebound dering the first full day of trading in 1987.

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The dollar's rise began at the opening in New York — the European afternoon — when the hindesbank intervened openly, selling Deutsche marks and buying dollars in the U.S. foreign exchange froker market.

The dollar was susceptible to intervention on a technical basis." said Jim O'Neill, economist at Marine Midland Bank. So-called technicians base their buy and sell acne tions on movements of chart lines, expecting history to repeat itself.
In New York, the dollar closed at 19305 Dentsche marks, up from 19235 Friday; at 159.30 yen, up from 158.50; at 6.3955 French francs, up from 6.3665; and at 1.6283 Swiss francs, up from

1.5148 The pound closed at \$1.471, down from \$1.4885. The Bundesbank intervention also propped up the dollar in Eu-

But the dollar ended off its highs, and dealers said they expected downward pressure to continue particularly in view of last week's news of a much larger-than-expect-

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schould Asi	151.25	158.15
Swiss franc	1.4288	1.4078
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#### U.S. Money Supply Soars \$8.7 Billion

NEW YORK - The basic supply of U.S. money supply known as M-1 soared \$8.7 billion in the week ended Dec. 22 to a seasonally adjusted \$731.0 billion, the Federal Reserve

said Monday. . The previous week's M-1 level was revised to \$722.3 billion from \$722.5 billion, while the tek moving average rose to \$724.0 billion from \$719.2 billion. M-1 comprises currency in circulation, traveler's checks and checking deposits.

and poor showings could send the Key Rate dollar tumbling.

In London, the dollar rose to 1.9303 Deutsche marks from 1.9163 on Friday, to 159.35 year from 158.15, and to 6,3950 French francs from 6.3500,

London dealers said the Bundesbank's action was probably aimed ed U.S. trade deficit for November. chiefly at relieving apward pressure The next set of U.S. economic on the mark in the European Monfigures, on unemployment and proupper limit against the weakening

French franc. But they also interpreted the intervention as a warning to the market not to sell the dollar down too sharply.

The Bundesbank's intervention was the first in the open market since European central banks joined on Oct. 14 to support the dollar, when it dropped to 1.97 DM.

In other European trading, the dollar was fixed at 1.9239 DM in Frankfort, up from 1.9199 on Friday, and at 6.3625 French francs in Paris, up from 6.3480. In Zurich it closed at 1.6325 Swiss francs.

The British pound fell sharply gainst the dollar, to \$1.4735 from \$1.4905 on Friday, and against the mark, to 2.8443 DM from 2.8598 (Reuters, UPI)

international investors to put funds into marks, dealers said. But the franc's weakness has been exacerbated by a 19-day-old rail strike, which is posing a major challenge to Prime Minister Jacques Chirac's conservative govern-

came under increasing pressure.

to 8 percent from 74 percent to

defend the frane after its fifth con-

secutive record low fix against the

The central bank uses the seven-

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The mark was fixed Monday at

The franc has weakened as the

fall in the dollar has encouraged

which it uses to set the floor.

day repurchase rate to set an upper indicator for money-market rates,

mark, of 3.312 francs.

Sales of marks by the Bank of France in thin post-Christmas tracing last week prevented a further rise in the mark.

There was no immediate indica tion whether French banks would raise their base lending rates to said she sells 600 jars of the cream ne customers in response to the Bank of France rate increases.

The banks have recently been in a dispute with customer lobby groups over proposals to introduce check charges, and so may be reluctant to raise interest rates, banking

Most bank base rates have been at 9.6 percent since last May, although Crédit Lyonnais cut its rate take part in the new consumer to 9.45 percent in September.

# French Bank Analysts Doubt Early Rally in U.S. Bond Markets

NEW YORK - Wall Street began the first full week of 1987 con-fident that interest rates would fall further, but economists said Monday that a number of obstacles were in the way of an early rally in PARIS - France's central bank the bond markets.

raised its upper interest rate Tues-Analysts expect a marked slowday for the second time in a week to down in U.S. economic growth in try to halt a decline of the French the first quarter and an accompa-franc assainst the Deutsche mark. the first quarter and an accompa-nying decline in interest rates.

A Bank of France spokesman But evidence of that first-quarter said the seven-day repurchase rate weakness is unlikely for another was being increased by half a permonth. Oil prices are firm followcentage point to 8% percent from ing the recent agreement by the 8% percent.

Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries to curb output. The The rate had already been raised Fed funds rate is traditionally high from 74 on Dec. 30 as the franc in early January. No cut in the discount rate from West Germany On Friday, the bank also raised or Japan seems imminent. its money-market intervention rate

And, perhaps most worrying, the dollar has started the year under

But as optimism grows that the economy will slow, dealers said, U.S. government securities prices

Monday.

U.S. credit markets were moderately to sharply higher at Monday's closing. Treasury bill rates were un-changed to down one basis point. Coupon issue prices were up from Friday's closing levels.

Henry Kaufman of Salomon Brothers Inc. said the reverberations of Wednesday's report of a record \$19.2 billion U.S. trade delicit in November may not be over.

"The disappointing November trade figures and the dollar's subsequent performance may lead to questions about continued foreign participation in U.S. markets," Mr. Kaufman wrote in his weekly Comments on Credit."

The trade figures pushed the dollar to a six-year low against the Deutsche mark. Other Salomon Brothers economists said in a com-

expected.

Interest-rate differentials as well as currency considerations could also discourage foreign investors from buying U.S. bonds, some economists fear.

Worried by rampant growth in the money supply, the Bundesbank offered a new securities repurchase agreement on Friday at a new, higher minimum-bid level of 4.4 percent.

This represents the first increase in the minimum-bid requirement since the return to this allocation format some two months ago. and it has been taken as an indica tion that the Bundesbank intends to keep raising short-term interest rates," the Salomon Brothers economists said.

Philip Braverman of Irving Secuwas unlikely to ease monetary pohicy mull April - or after West

extended their New Year's rally er than previously had been ations in March and confirmation of economic sluggishness.

The U.S. market will also have to contend with the probability of firm oil prices until early spring and upward pressure on bond yields until the Treasury's early-February refunding issues are placed. Mr. Braverman said in a newslet-

And the drop in the Fed funds rate to 614-61/2 percent on Friday from the average in the Dec. 31 week of 9.2 percent does not spell the end of seasonal pressures in the money markets.

"Experience suggests that the funds rate will continue abnormally high until the third week of January," Mr. Braverman said.

"Expect a significant decline in market interest rates this year in rities Corp. said the Bundesbank response to weaker U.S. economic growth, still moderate inflation. high real interest rates, reduced panion report that "additional de-clines in the dollar may come soon-Jan. 25, industrywide labor negoti-Fed easing," be advised.

#### THE EUROMARKETS

#### \*Borrowers Launch 4 Australian-Dollar Issues

By Christopher Pizzey

LONDON -- After weeks of lasstude, the primary sector of the Eurobond market returned to life donday with several new issues. The Australian-dollar sector, with four new issues totaling 215 million us, accounted for most of the

Dealers said secondary markets were relatively quiet, with most sec-tors relatively unchanged from Friday's closing levels.

The largest of the Australian issucs, all of which were for Austra- Government Insurance Office of fees of 2 percent.

lian borrowers, was a 75 million New South Wales. It came to mar-dollar issue for BHP Finance Ltd. ket with a four-year bond paying 14 The issue, guaranteed by Broken percent and priced at 101%. It was The issue, guaranteed by Broken Hill Pty., pays 144 percent over five years and was priced at 1014. It was lead managed by Orion Roy-

ANZ Merchant Bank lead managed two 50 million dollar issues, the first for its parent, Australia & New Zealand Banking Group, The five-year issue pays 14 percent and was priced at 101%. It was quoted in when-issued trading on its total fees of 2 percent.

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quoted on its fees of 1% percent. CSR Finance Ltd. launched a 40 million dollar bond guaranteed by its parent, CSR Ltd. The 54-year issue, lead managed by Hambros Bank, pays 141/2 percent and was priced at 101%. It was trading late in the day on its 2 percent fees.

In the dollar-straight sector, Fin-land launched a \$200 million bond paying 7% percent over 10 years and priced at 1011/2. It was lead ANZ's other issue was for the Ltd. It was quoted just inside its

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#### CHINA: Long March to Consumerism Begins, Replacing Thrift, Austerity

3.31 francs, marginally lower than Friday's fix of 3.312.

one of the largest in Beging, big crowds line up at the cosmetic

On a recent Saturday, Xi Huir-

ong, an office worker, stood at the counter examining a special new quick-remove wrinkle cream. "PII try it," she said after hesitating for

Three jars cost 6.7 year (\$1.80 at official exchange rates), roughly a quarter of a week's wages, but her insband raised no objection. The saleswoman, Zhang Chengmei,

For the time being, at least, the Chinese regime has decided to tol-erate the national splurge on fash-ion and cosmetics. A signed article in the People's Daily, the official Communist Party newspaper, said last year that whatever people

choose to wear was a private matter, unrelated to politics. Not everyone in China is able to

a Western-style wool sports jacket or suit.

At the Xidan department store, one of the largest in Beijing, big

According to official figures, approximately 5 percent of China's and began brying consumer goods and began brying consumer goods such as television sets and refrigeration and provided in the provided in th \$17 a month, but for these 10 million urban poor the per-capita in-come is less than 59 a month.

In September, Song Tingmi an economic adviser to Prime Minister Zhao Ziyang, estimated that in the countryside about 50 million to 60 million of China's 800 million ants are living in such poverty that they lack sufficient food,

clothing and shelter. Nevertheless, in both rural and urban areas, over the last couple of years the majority of Chinese have been buying goods and spending money as never before.

China's buying spree dates back to the fall of 1984 when the Communist Party adopted a package of market-oriented economic reforms for urban areas. As part of the program, the party

announced that it would begin to lift price controls on many items and let prices be determined by supply and demand. Anticipating price rises, Chinese

In 1985, the regime let prices shoot up by as much as 50 to 100 percent on meat, fish, vegetables and all other food items except rice and bread. According to official Chinese figures, the overall infla-tion rate in Chinese cities in 1985 was 11.8 percent, and some Western economic analysts believe the

actual rate was somewhat higher. During the first eight months of 1986, inflation slowed to an annual rate of 5 percent, according to Chinese figures. That was well below the rate a year before, but was still extraordinary by the standards of a country whose Communist leadership once published a book titled "Why There Is No Inflation in Chi-

the Chinese regime lifted price controls on a new series of consumer goods. Prices on bicycles, the nation's principal means of transportation, were allowed to float. So

sumer items, including stationery, shoes, clothing, toys, cosmetics and

furniture. The price of a liter of milk has been raised 38 percent. Official statements have hinted at further price increases this year. Chinese official figures indicate clearly that people both earned and

spent a lot more money last year than in previous years. Wages paid out in the first nine months of 1986 were 20.4 percent above the level of a year ago - far over the target of 7-percent growth set by the government. Much of

this increase represented bonuses

paid to workers.

Retail sales, the indicator of how much money Chinese are spending increased by 14 percent during the first nine months of 1986 and by 18 percent in the third quarter compared with year-earlier periods. The state's five-year economic plan were prices of refrigerators, wash- for 1986-90 set a target of about 7 ing machines, tape recorders, cot- percent a year.

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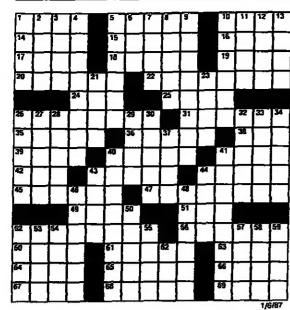
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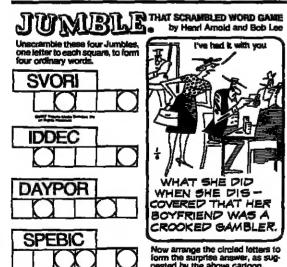
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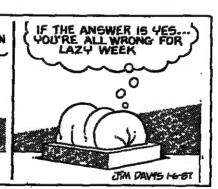




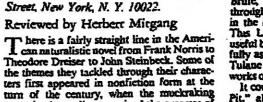












**BOOKS** 

oilfields. Looking at the popular books published today, it's hard to imagine that powerful works of fiction and fact that exposed unsafe conditions in the mines or the travails of migra-tory workers once led to legislative changes. With the three novels and essays in "Frank Norris," an opportunity exists to read, or re read, in a new edition, the work of one of the trailblazers in American literature. Norris (1870-1902) marched to the sound of Zola, whose novels he had studied for several years at the University of California at Berkeley. In "The Octopus," his major novel included here, Norris pitted a railroad monopoly and its political allies against the California ranchers; similarly, Zola in "Germinal" had stressed

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various industries, from the stockyards to the

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unwholesome working conditions and social In addition to "The Octopus," the collection



includes "McTengue," a novel of human despondence, marital longing, marder and revenue (which Erich von Stroheim straed late the 1924 film, "Greed"); and "Vandover and the Brute," which followed the fall of an artist through a life of drukenness and debauchery in the recognizable street of See in the recognizable streets of San Francisco.

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This Library of America counciling, with a useful biographical chronology, has been tastefully assembled by Professor Donald Pizer of Tulane University, who is the author, of critical works on Norris, Dreiser and Hamilin Gardarid. It could be argued that Norris's novel "The Pit," about a deal to corner wheat on the Chicago archange might have been included. Chicago exchange, might have been included because it echoes down to our time of artisingers and stock-market scandals. Perhaps this collection will inspire readers to turn to missing novel independently.

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It comes as a surprise to discover that Norris's pen-portraits could be as eloquent. His women are ciraws as sympathetically as his men; that is a lest not many male authors can pass to this day. Of the character Hisaa Tree in

The Octopus," he writes:
"Hilms stood bathed from head to foot in the torrent of sunlight that powered in most her from the three wide open windows. She was charming, delicious, radiant of youth, of health of well-being, into her eyes, wide open, brown, rimmed with their fine, thin line of intense black lashes, the sun set a diamond flash; the same golden light glowed all are her thick, moist hair, lambent, beautifu sheen of almost metallic hatre, and reflected itself upon her wet lips, moving with the words of her singing. The whiteness of her skin under the caress of this hale, vigorous morning heir was dazzling, pure, of a finences

Norris theorized about the tents fiction and the breadth of the novel. In a series of essays that appear at the end of the book, he shows an awareness of what he and other realistic writers were doing to break away from the sentimentality that prevailed in fiction before the turn of the century. Norris discus the mechanics of fiction, the novel with a purpose, the need for a literary conscient ness of fiction writing, the responsibili of the novelist.

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#### CHESS

By Robert Byrne

NEW effort to provide assistance in development, the Stamford Chess Fellowship, sponsored by Frank P.
Samford of Birmingham, Alabama, offers a stipend for a
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processing the world's strongest 11-year-old.

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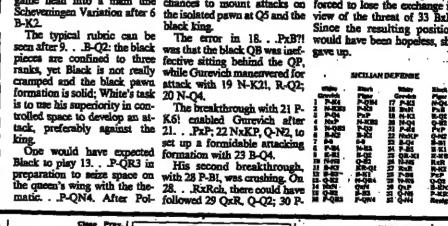
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with 16. . P-Q4?! because 17 P-QN4, Q-B2 (17. . . Q-R3; 18 B-K2!, P-QN4; 19 PQ-R4!, Q-B1; 20 RPxP, B-N2; 21 B-B5! would be powerful for White); ederation.

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Perhaps the most promising K-N1, PxR/Qch; 22 KxQ, KR-

B7ch, K-R1; 31 Q-K6l, P-QR4; 32 P-QN4, PxP; 33 PxP, establiahing zugzwang. Thus, 33. . QxQ: 34 NxQ wing a piece, 33. . Q-K2; 34 Q-B5!; Q-K8ch; 35 B-N1, QR5; 36 Q-B8 also leads to mate.



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have the author of ones in a case Hamiltonia and the same that the same DENVER --- The Denver Broncos had what New England lacked - a running game, an inspiring quarterback and a penetrating de-fense. The result was a 22-17 victhe control with a large of may for the Broncos over the Patriots in an American Conference division playoff game here Sunday.

Both quarteroacks, rolling lands of Denver and New England's made some big plays, Tony Eason, make the but Every's proved to be bigger. He can for one touchdown on a surprise play and passed 48 yards to vance Johnson for a second.

The victory qualified the Bronton on Sunday

in that pointed in upon ship game in Cleveland on Sunday ship game will go on to the against the Browns. The team that wins that game will go on to the Super Bowl on Jan. 25 to play the NFC champion, either the New the their three than the end of the carbon placed at dames are tracked in the carbon beautiful tracked in the carbon tracked at the carbon placed and the carbon placed the carbon placed to the carbo York Giants or the Washington

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that prevailed in farous Morgan, but those big plays were sharen. The novel we

Elway's failures and successes receiver feasted on single coverage. On the interception and hit by provided the significant pattern to Tony Franklin kicked the extra Trippett, Elway's right leg had be suffered. the game in its first half.

On a sudden first-period drive, 7-3. the Bronco quarterback with a cannon-like arm completed two quick Watson for 39 and 21 yards, But Denver was stopped at the Patriot 7 after Elway had tried to run the ball into the end zone from the 4. Offi-

#### NFL PLAYOFFS

cials said he was stopped inches outside the goal line, and his frustrated reaction was to spike the ball on the turf.

That drew a 5-yard penalty for delay of game - a lenient punishment from referee Jerry Seeman, who could have charged Elway with unsportsmanlike conduct and assessed a 15-yard penalty. From the 7, a quarterback sneak gained 3 yards, and on fourth down Rich period. Karlis kicked a field goal for the

The New England offense, which had done little, came alive as the second quarter began and moved 87 yards in seven plays for a touchdown. The big plays were passes by Eason to Morgan, the top Patriot wide receiver, for 36 yards and to Greg Baty for 10 more.

From the Denver 19, Eason put a end zone for Morgan, who was cov-Steve Wilson. Once again, the swift then kicked his field goal.

point, and the Patriots were ahead.

After two incompletions on the next drive, Elway had completed passes to Steve Sewell and Steve only 3 of 13 passes. He had been throwing the ball deep most of the time, trying for the big play that did not come. On third down, hepassed to Orson Mobley, the rookie tight end, for a first down.

Denver mened to a running game and moved to the New Enland 21. On first down, with a pass in mind, Elway found his receivers covered, so he took off round right end — and wound up in the end zone with his third touchdown of the season.

There was nothing too unusual about the run, because Elway bad been the team's third-leading ground gainer this season. The conversion kick put the Broncos ahead, 10-7, in the seventh minute of the

The Patriots were able to tie the score on a 38-yard field goal by Franklin in the last minute of the half, and Elway had something to do with that too. Attempting a pass from his 33, Elway was hit by Andre Tippett, New England's star linebacker. The ball went only three yards, hit linebacker Johnny Rembert in the chest and was inter-

From the Denver 29, Eason ran perfect pass into the back of the for 13, then passed incomplete effect a free play. In the confusion, twice to the end zone and was ered man-on-man by cornerback sacked for the third time. Franklin

rwisted ankle. He limped off with two trainers aiding him, but was back for the second half.

In the first half, Elway had completed just 8 of 23 passes attempts for 157 yards.

Gerald Willhite, Denver's leading runner, did not come out for the second half because of an injured shoulder and Gene Lang replaced

Lang and Sammy Winder were the ball-carriers as the Broncos went back to a running game that brought them to the Patriot 5 but no farther. Karlis then kicked a 22yard field goal and Denver was ahead, 13-10.

Not for long. The Patriots came up with a touchdown on a trick fleaflicker play. Eason handed the ball to Mosi Tatupu, who ran wide, stopped and passed the ball back to Meanwhile, Morgan was sprinting down the center of the field ahead of cornerback Louis Wright, and Eason's pass went into his hands at the 2. Morgan stepped into the end zone and the New England was ahead, 17-13.

Denver soon had a retort. On the last play of the third quarter the Patriots were visibly offside after the snap of the ball so Elway had in he threw 49 yards downfield to Johnson for a touchdown and a 20-



Denver wide receiver Vance Johnson, having besten connerback Ernest Gibson, was sitting pretty in midair with the decisive TD.

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# One Giant Step Toward the Super Bowl

By Frank Litsky

New York Times Service FAST RUTHERFORD, New Jersey -

Had it been a fight, the referee would have stopped it. The New York Giants, with a superb defensive performance and an offense almost as good, overwhelmed the San Francisco 49ers, 49-3, Sunday and moved one victory away from the National Football League's Super Bowl XXI.

The triumph sent the Giants into the National Conference championship game here next Sunday against the Washington Redskins. The winner will move into the Super Bowl Jan. 25 in Pasadena, California, against the AFC champion, either Denver or Cleve-

Five weeks ago, the 49ers stopped the Gi-ant running game cold, and New York was fortunate to rally from a 17-0 deficit to a 21-

Although the Giants finished the regular season with a 14-2 record and the 49ers were 10-5-1, San Francisco had won two of the last five Super Bowls. The Giants had not been in a championship game since 1963. They are now. Their defense held the 49ers

to 29 yards rushing, 184 yards in total of-fense, and only 2 of 14 third-down conversions. They knocked quarterback Joe Mon-tana out of the game just before the end of the first half with a concussion; he was hospitalized for overnight observation, and his condi-tion was listed as "normal" on Monday. Montana was hart when Jim Burt smashed

The fourth touchdown came on Taylor's interception. The seventh and last touchdown came after Pepper Johnson's interception.
The Giants had many defensive heroes. Carl Banks repeatedly stuffed running plays. Harry Carson twice threw Joe Cribbs for losses on runs. Kenny Hill recovered Rice's

fumble in the Giant and zone. Burt and

offense. And on and on.

Meanwhile, the New York offense kept moving the ball. It had bitter memories of its

thrived. Simms passed for four touchdowns — 24 yards to Mark Bavaro, 15 to Bobby Johnson, 28 to Phil McConkey and 29 to Zeke Mowatt, Morris carried 24 times for 159 vards and two touchdowns on runs of 45 and

the strong safety, played almost on the line of

into him as Montana was throwing a pass. Lawrence Taylor intercepted and returned the ball 34 yards for a touchdown, the Giants' third in the second quarter. They scored three more in the third period.

The first New York touchdown came after Jerry Rice of the 49ers caught a pass and

fumbled away a sure TD. The second touchdown came after Herb Welch's interception. last game against the 49ers, when its runners carried 19 times for 13 yards net (Joe Morris, who has made 100-yard games customary.

carried 13 times that night for 14 yards). This time, Morris thrived and Phil Simms

In their previous meeting, San Francisco stopped the Giant running game with virtual-ly an eight-man front. Carlton Williamson,



49er Coach Bill Walsh

Johnson put constant pressure on the 49er offense. And on and on.

On Sunday, the Giants practiced against a defense in which Ronnie Lott, the free safety. supported the running defense and Williamson dropped back in pass coverage.

"I asked our coaches why we were doing that," said Simms. "I said it should be the other way around. They said they expected the 49ers to do it this way. It shows you how much I know." And that was the way the 49ers did do it.

This time, the Giants ran 44 times for 216 yards against a defense that allowed an average of only 97.2 yards rushing during the

regular season, the third lowest in the NFL. Morris, with his quickness, often had broken through inside holes or had turned the ends before the 49ers could react. "He was running today like we have never seen him running before," said Jim Fahnhorst, a 49er linebacker.

Simms's passing figures — 9 of 19 for 136 yards — were not majestic. The four touch-down passes were. As Ron Ferrari, a 49er linebacker, said, "Simms had an all-pro day." "I knew sooner or later we would hit some passes," said Simms, "so I was patient. But if

we ran every time I wouldn't care, because that

means we would get to play another week." The Giants will get to play at least one more week, partly because they solved the 49er defense against the run. Some of that came from good blocking. Some came from the use of two tight ends (Bayaro and Mowatt) at the same time.

In their pevious meeting, the 49ers had overloaded the strong side of the Giant offense, the side where the tight end played. This time, with two tight ends, there was no strong side, and the addition of Mowatt put

another strong blocker on the line.

"They didn't know which way we were going," said Billy Ard, the Giant offensive guard. "So that made it tough for them to pull tricks. And this way, if you get through the crease you can go for a long walk. "They played a perfect game," said Bill Walsh, the losers' coach.

"It wasn't perfect," said Coach Bill Parcells of the Giants, "but we played very well."
The best he's seen? "Pretty close," said

"We were shattered by a great team," said Walsh. "I believe they will go all the way."

## Bond Camp Is Feeling the Now-or-Never Pressure

By Angus Phillips

Washington Post Service
FREMANTLE, Australia — Alan Bond's Australia IV is two losses away from elimination from the America's Cup, and Bond's man on the scene says it isn't the

"If we can't win in the next two days," said syndicate manager Warren Jones on Sunday, "then we'll have let down a very good

Australia IV is the flagship of the syndicate that rocked the yachting world by winning the cup in 1983; with two races to go in the defender semifinals, it is tied for the lead with Kookaburra III, which has al-

slots in the finals. If Australia IV can't beat Kookburra II on Tuesday - Monday's schedule was abandoned when high winds produced unsuitable conditions for fair racing — or Kookaburra III on Wednesday, Kooka II will join her stablemate in the best-of-nine series to determine who defends the cup.



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The way Australia IV came to so perilous a spot wasn't pretty. On Robbins, "sounds like a loser." Friday she lost to Kookaburra III, after leading all race by a healthy margin, when her mainsail fell

down on the last leg and she was passed before repairs were made. On Saturday she lost when skipper Colin Beashel misjudged a maneuver in close quarters, collided

AMERICA'S CUP with Kooka II and lost the race in a the crowd on the cabintop.

win on the course. The Bond's growing desperation and by late afternoon, with the was reflected in Saturday's decision wind at 24 knots, passengers on the ll out a secret weapon, a huge ready wrapped up one of the two spinnaker they'd been keeping in plunged along. "Every boat that reserve, in an attempt to beat could go out was full to the brim," street. "Not again!"

> It worked, insofar as they shot into the lead, but then the protest wiped out the victory. And now, Jones said, sailmakers from Sydney to San Diego are busy making copies, spoiling his secret.
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> "We made a decision," said Jones, "that because we're rolling

three years work here, we'll fire whatever bullets we've got. Unfortunately we didn't get the points, so it didn't work." Bond, who won the cup in 1983,

has berated the Royal Perth Yacht Chub, warning that unless the club shares cup profits it could be blamed for Australia's losing. Bond said the chib stands to make \$10 million from running the

cup competition, but instead of turning the money back to defense syndicates it is being put into capi-"If we lose," said Bond, who owns Australia IV, "they can blame

themselves." Bond said the RPYC competed with the syndicates for sponsor dol-lars. "From a clubmember's point of view, it's very nice," he said, "but the sponsors should have put [the

money] into the syndicates,"
He said his syndicate owes \$4
million to \$5 million and rival Kevin Parry's Kookaburra group is three or four times that deeply in The RPYC has "an obligation to belp," he said in a televised broad-

side, adding, "We who won it have a greater right to market the cup

Bond, said RPYC official Noel said Peggy Rowe, who organizes

Interest in racing is finally begin- press. ning to peak. On Friday, when New Zealand and Stars & Stripes clinched spots in the challenger fin- in Freo," a Mardi Gras imitation. als, the spectator fleet was jammed with boats on both challenger and defense courses.

And for the first time, the boats were full. Tropic Sunbird, a catamaran with space for 500, was so full the inside doors wouldn't close; they were sprung by the weight of

protest, even though he went on to Another catamaran, Albatross, wallowed in the Indian Ocean chop

space on spectator boats for the New Year's Eve festivities here were wild as Fremantle hosted "Rio

Natives said that, traditionally, young people cram the streets in Perth, but this year trainloads came to this town of 25,000, lured by the

glitter of the cup. It was a bash to remember as an estimated 50,000 people jammed the main streets and the Esplanade Park. One woman, squiring a wellserved friend, looked on in horror as he executed a classic Australian face-fall on the pavement in front

of Papa Luigi's. "Oh, no," she said as he hit the

#### Schneider Widens Cup Lead With Giant Slalom Triumph

United Press International

SAALBACH, Austria - Vreni Schneider scored her third victory of the World Cup skiing season here Monday, winning a giant sla-lom and strengthening her lead in the overall cup standings.

Schneider led after an appressive first run of 56.41 seconds and then held on in the second leg to win with an aggregate 1:53.69. Mateja Svet of Yugoslavia was second in 1:54.06 and Schneider's Swiss ımmate Maria Walliser was third

in 1:54.76. Schneider, who has finished in

the top four of all four giant sla-

loms this season, also won at Wa-

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terville Valley, New Hampshire, Dec. 6 and took a slalom at Courmayeur, Italy, 11 days later. The 22-year-old now leads the overall standings with 151 points. Walliser, the defending overall cup champion, is second with 125, and

Hess was seventh Monday as the Swiss team again demonstrated its dominance of the women's World Cup circuit by taking five of the top 10 places.

another Swiss, Erika Hess, third

The race, rescheduled because of weather conditions from Maribor. Yugoslavia, was run in freezing temperatures over sticking fresh snow on the Kohlmais course, which featured 41 gates on the first Vrem Schmeider: Victory No. 3. run and 38 on the second.

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### Hospitality Suite

WASHINGTON — I was walking through National Airport when I saw a sign: "Welcome Special Prosecutors "Is there a convention?" I asked

the lady at the booth.
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assigned to root out wrongdoing and evil in the executive branch of gov-

ernment. didn't know there were so many prosecutors arriving."

Buchwald over 10,000 before the year is out. These men are serving their country as well as our boys in Honduras, and we want to keep their morale high."

A man came up to the counter. "I'm a special prosecutor. Could you tell me where I can find a room while I'm investigating high crimes and sleazy misdemeanors complicated by unbelievable conflict of

"We can put you in a hotel until we get the permanent barracks on the Mail completed."

The man said, "You're building barracks on the Mall for special

"We have to," the lady replied. The hotels in town can't house all of them, and if Ollie North and Poindexter ever spill the beans we could have special prosecutors sleeping in the streets.

Okay, I'll take the room."

#### Mosque Uncovered in Kenyz

NAIROBI Archaeologists have discovered the ruins of a 1,000year-old mosque in a small trading community on Pate Island, near the Somali border, the oldest known trace of Islamic culture in East Africa, according to Richard Wilding head of coastal archaeology at the National Museum of Kenya. Arab chronicles record traders visiting the east coast of Africa as carly as the first and second centuries A.D., but no phyical evidence of their presence has been found.

cial Prosecutors Get Acquainted "You hold dances?" the man

"It's a chance for all the prosecutors to get together, let their hair down and trade stories about who is committing perjury. Our hostesses have all been cleared by the

"How much is it?" "It's free because it is sponsored by the 'Daughters of Watergate. They were responsible for special rosecutors in the first place."
I said to the gentleman, "Welcome to Washington. Why doesn't the Justice Department do the work instead of the special prose-CULOT?

"Because Justice is not equipped to find wrongdoing in the adminis-tration. They don't have the staff, the resources or the stomach for the job. All the attorney general has to do is question someone on wrongdoing and everyone in the White House starts bolting for his shred-

"Does this mean the attorney general is covering up for the administration?

That's what they pay me to find

The lady behind the counter asked the special prosecutor if he wanted a cup of coffee.

He thanked her. "I'll remember this when I'm far away in the trenches of federal court."

The lady said, "This is the address of our Special Prosecutors Hospitality Suite downtown where you can take a shower and have your suit pressed while you're waitng for General Secord to talk." The man answered, "I'm very grateful for all you've done for me. My wife said no one in Washington

would speak to me." "We'll speak to you," she as sured him. "It's the ones whose lawyers told them to clam up who won't talk."

I said, "One question. Why would someone want to be a special prosecutor?

He replied, "Some do it because they are bored with their jobs others because they are bored with their wives. I do it because investigating Donald Regan keeps me

# An Actor's Career as an Alter Ego

By Nina Damton

New York Times Service FEW YORK — Jonathan Silverman, who has spent the last few years of his life playing the alter ego of Neil Simon on Broadway and now, in the film version of "Brighton Beach Memoirs," on the screen, is the kind of young man every mother wishes her daughter would marry bright, polite, clean-cut, charm-

And he seems to have his share of interested young women, many of whom he meets when they come backstage at the Broadhurst Theater where he is starting in Broadway Bound" to tell him how good he is. He is playing Eugene Morris Jerome at the age of 23, as the Simon character begins his writing career. "It's great for my social life," Silverman said with an unabashed grin. "I sometimes do ask some of those girls to go out with me. It may be taking a kind of advantage of my position, but heck, I'm 20 years old."

In the past three years, Silverman has worked almost nonstop. He began his career at 17 when an agent spotted him in a school production of "A Midsummer Night's Dream." This was, after all, Beverly Hills High School, but the discovery was still unusual. especially for a student playing his first speaking part — Puck. "I thought I would go to business school," he said. "I had taken drama just for fun. I heard it was an easy A. I auditioned for all the plays, but I always got cast in the crowd scenes — I was the guy over there, on the left."

A week later, he was sent to audition for the part of Eugene as a replacement for Matthew Broderick in the Broadway produc-tion of "Brighton Beach Mem-"I was very nervous, of course," Silverman said. "But I was also really excited. I mean Neil Simon was there. He was a household word. He was very nice. Now he tells me he knew 10 minutes into the reading that I

had the part. I wish he'd told me." He went on to replace Broder-ick again in "Biloxi Blues," played Eugene in the movie of "Brighton Beach Memoirs," and is now playing him as a young man beginning his professional



Actor Silverman: "The play is therapy for me, just as it is for Neil."

life. Silverman, who was 5 feet 4 inches tall (1.6 meters) three years ago, when he first played Eugene. now measures 6 feet. In addition to playing Eugene Morris Jerome. he managed to enroll part time in college amassing credits toward a degree in English literature, and to star in the weekly television. series "Gimme a Break" and his first feature film, "Girls Just Want to Have Fun."

But his resemblance to Simon is not confined to role playing. From their early ambitions to their family histories, there are striking parallels between the two men, and now that playwright and actor have become close, Silverman draws on these similarities in his portrayal. "It's kind of scary," Silverman

said. "Im really his alter ego. Whenever he comes to the theater, he comes to my dressing room. We are very close. You know, this is probably his finest play, but he can't bear to watch it. It's too close, too personal. It hurts too much. After we opened in Washington, at the party, he was clutching The Washington Post review, which said that he

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could now be considered one of the great serious dramatic playhts, and he looked very hap-A lew hours later he got taken to the hospital with chest pains. Fortunately it didn't turn out to be his heart. Part of it was

Both grew up infamated with baseball and both dreamed of becoming professional baseball players. Both came from families that seemed tightly knit and loving and eventually broke apart painfully when the father left. Both were raised in religious Jewish households.

Silverman comes from several generations of rabbis, on both sides of his family. Members of his mother's family were among the early pioneers in Palestine and helped to found a section in the Old City of Jerusalem where one street still bears their name -Halaban, His father, Rabbi Hillel Silverman of Temple Sholom in Greenwich, Connecticut, is a widely respected Conservative rabbi, whose father and grandfather were also rabbis.

In "Brighton Beach Memoirs," the Jerome family is shown as family and the Silverman family

very close, with a loving and tender relationship between the parents. In "Broadway Bound." the parents separate when the husband walks out, "I think Brighton Beach Memoirs' is really Neil's fantasy family," Silverman said. "It's what he wished it was. It was really all reversed. It wasn't his aunt and cousin who came to live in his bouse. It was really Neil and his brother Danny and their mother who went to live with his aunt when his father left them. Now both his parents are dead. He never really had a chance to work out his feelings

Silverman said that his own family broke up after his parents had been married for 30 years, when his father left home two months before the actor's bar mitzvah, at 13. "It was devastating," he said, "I never thought that I would be able to use that pain in my future life. But in this play, of course, I need to use it. I was concerned about what my parents' reaction would be. It's so striking how similar the Jerome

about his father or his hurt or

are. When I just read the script, I couldn't stop crying because of the similarities. Not only can Neil

peg his own family down, but he pegs everyone's family down." In "Brighton Beach Memoirs," Eugene's character is 15 years old. The film was shot last year, when Silverman was 19, and he says he was growing so last that it was probably the last possible moment when he could have played the role and still be accepted as a 15-year-old. "You know." he said. "I thought it would be easier for me because I had played that character on stage for so long. I really knew him so well. And in some ways I guess it was. I had done all the homework — but it was more difficult than I realized it would be making that transition

"I had to sort of start from scratch. I had to tone the whole person down for a camera that was a few inches from my face instead of an audience that was sitting up to the last row in the balcony. It was very awkward at first - minimizing everything like that."

Silverman said that playing Eugene in "Broadway Bound" was particularly exciting because he created the role from scratch. "On the other projects, when I entered they already knew what they wanted," he said, "This time they didn't.

"Neil offered me the role before he even wrote the play. There was the process of experimenting and learning and falling on my face, and it was ultimately the most rewarding. Also, since this was much closer to Neil, I felt a greater responsibility. I built my character more on Neil than in the previous one, I borrowed some of his characteristics. I don't even think he knows it. It could be something as simple as the way I scratch my nose as Eugene, but it's there to help me develop the

character." Is be worried that he may be typecast playing different ver-sions of Neil Simon? "A lot of people ask me that." Silverman said, "Believe me, that is the least of my problems. There are a lot of worse things that can happen to me than kicking off a career with

#### PEOPLE

Macmillan's Last Words On de Gaulle, Kennedy Harold Macmillan, the forms

British prime minister who dia.

Dec. 29. regarded Charles de
Gaulle as being such a "pinhead"
that he could only live in the past, a historian says. Alistaire Home.

Macmillan's official biographer,
wrote in The Sunday Times of London that Macmillan considered the
French leader with a blend of the tation and admiration. "With his little pin-head, he could only think backwards, to Louis XIV, whereas Winsten [Churchill, who hook a much larger size in cape; could think backwards sideways and for-wards — all at once. he was quoted as having written in his uneas a great and brave man, and he saved France," he added. Oir U.S. President John Kennedy, Marini-lan said he spent "half his time thinking about adultery, the other half about second-hand ideas passed on by his advisers."

Lee Iscocca, chairman of the Chrysler Corp., has filed for di-vorce from his wife, Peggy, 33, has than a year after the couple married, a company spokesman said. The marriage was the second for Iscocca, 62, whose first wife of 27 years died in April 1983.

West German Chancelor Helmut Kohl has accepted the apology of a television network that broad east his 1986 New Year's address instend of his 1987 message. Members of Kohl's Christian Democrat Party said the switch was an act of sabotage and the ARD network later can the '87 address. But some said there was no difference in the two speeches. "He best about the bush in his 1987 message just as he did in the 1986 one," said a Social Democrat, Ginter Verbugen.

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The movie "Blue Velvet" cap-tured four of nine awards, including best picture of the year, in vuting by the National Society of Film Critics, David Lynch, who wrote and directed the low budget movie about undercurrents in small-town American life, won as best director in voting by 31 critics. The panel also honored Denzis Hopper as hest supporting actor for his role as a sadistic criminal in the movie, and Frederick Elmes won as best

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